



Thunder Bay Regional
Health Sciences
Centre

Code Red Safety Huddle

Code Red – Fire (EMER-30) is an emergency response to manage potential or actual smoke/fire inside the Hospital (980 Oliver Rd).

REACT is the acronym used to help people remember what to do when a fire or potential fire is discovered or a fire alarm is activated.

- R** – Remove persons in immediate danger
- E** – Ensure doors are closed to confine fire or smoke
- A** – Activate the fire alarm by pulling the nearest pull station
- C** – Call Switchboard at **55** to report the location of the fire
- T** – Try to extinguish the fire if trained or continue to evacuate



Why call Switchboard to notify them of the fire location?

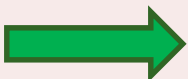
- When the alarm is activated, Security will announce the location based off of what is seen on the Firewatch computer in the Control Room, e.g., zone location of the pull station used.
- Security will update the announcement as soon as possible based off information provided by Switchboard or determined through first-hand assessment.
- Always report in the exact location by calling “55” asap to avoid any confusion in response.



What is the Stage 2 Alarm?



- Known as the “evacuation alarm,” this Stage of our fire system is only to be activated by the Incident Manager in consultation with Thunder Bay Fire Rescue (see EMER-30 & Code Green – Evacuation EMER-90).



- If this alarm is activated without prior communication, assume it is a malfunction that is being investigated.

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Code Red eObservation Reporting

- Required following every Code Red Drill or Alarm.
- Must be published within two weeks of the Code Red.
- Reports are reviewed annually by Thunder Bay Fire Rescue.



**Reminder:
Code Red Fire
Drills take
place every
month**

**FYI Reporting compliance for the last
quarter was approximately 63%**

Annual Minimum Staffing Drill Happening in October 2025

- Also referred to as Vulnerable Occupancy Drill or **Code Red** to **Green** Drill
- Exercise mandated by the Ontario Fire Code.
- Tests our ability to evacuate patients from a designated in-unit during hours with minimum staffing levels.
- In the interest of patient safety, volunteers act as mock patients.
- Response is evaluated and timed by the Fire Department.

Fire Safety Reminders

- Never prop open fire doors (e.g., no wedges allowed).
- Always submit workorders for fire doors that do not properly close, dirty sprinkler heads, exit signs not lit, etc.
- Keep emergency code binder up to date and store designate's hi-vis vest with it.



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