

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MONTHLY

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Major Accident/Incidents

A major accident/incident is one that could result in the loss of life, serious injury, damage to property and/or the environment. The situation could occur on or off of JB MDL and could involve Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT). While accidents/incidents can occur at any time and their level of severity varies with each incident, the question that needs asked is; "Do you know what to do if involved in a Major Accident or Incident?" Do not assume that only military assets or responders are the only personnel involved in a crisis situation. Hazards are located on the installation but also in the surrounding community. Various industrial storage areas, airspace, road, rail and waterways surround us and are avenues used to transport HAZMAT. We could encounter a Major Accident/Incident anywhere and it is important that we know how to safely react and respond in times of crisis.

If you witness a Major Accident or Incident ensure you maintain a safe distance from the area, in general get at least one-half of a mile from the danger area. Remain in an upwind/crosswind direction. Do not put yourself in unnecessary danger and never handle any items that were involved with the incident. Report the event immediately by calling 9-1-1. Should the incident involve a HAZMAT release into the atmosphere, first responders, specifically the Incident Commander, may direct personnel to Shelter In-Place (SIP) or evacuate...here's what you need to know:

Shelter in Place (SIP) – is accomplished when time does not allow evacuation of personnel from a hazardous area. Should winds carry HAZMAT toward a populated area, the Incident Commander may decide the best protection is for all occupants to remain inside a facility, shut off facility HVAC (i.e. turn off fan at thermostat), report to the designated Shelter In-Place room and open the SIP kit. The kit contains plastic and duct tape to cover doors, windows and air vents. You will find it's very helpful if your plastic has already been cut and labeled to match each door, window and vent in your SIP room. Once your plastic is securely taped, take accountability of personnel in the SIP room, then make contact with your chain of command and/or control center by any means available...office phone, text, cell phone or email. Shelter In-Place is designed to be used for 2 to 3 hours. Once the Incident Commander directs that it's safe for personnel to leave the SIP room, open all facility doors and windows to allow fresh air in. Each facility on the installation is equipped with a Sector/Block sign and SIP kit(s) to aid in this process. Ensure all personnel are aware of the location of your Shelter In-Place room and SIP kit(s). Local SIP drills should be conducted semi-annually with facility occupants.

Evacuation — When directed to evacuate, quickly move personnel to pre-designated outdoor location(s) at least 500 ft from the hazard area. This vice Sheltering in-Place. Building evacuations may be directed when the hazard affects individual facilities or an entire area. JB MDL is divided into sectors and blocks to help occupants understand

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst Evacuation & Shelter In-Place Program



You are in Facility 1821

For More Info Contact Your Emergency Preparedness Liaison (EPL) or The Office of Emergency Management: 609-754-3731 or 609-754-6208



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Installation Notification & Warning System

AtHoc Alert System

Registered users will receive texts, emails, and phone calls to alert them of major accidents and what actions to take.

JB MDL 1650 AM Radio Station

Tune radio to 1650 to receive urgent information. Continue to monitor until event termination and the all-clear is announced.

Giant Voice

A 3-5 minute steady tone is the Severe Weather/Disaster Warning. Listen for giant voice broadcast message following the steady tone.

My Base Guide

FREE smartphone app "mybaseguide" for Iphone and Android provide information to personnel on JB MDL. Download and turn on 'alerts and notifications' in settings page.

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