

Fire or Explosion

You may find yourself face to face with a building or brush fire while on campus, as accidents do happen. You may also witness an explosion. In the event of either or both situations, follow the checklist below. Remember to stay safe and help emergency responders react to the incident.

Before an Incident Occurs

• Review the Fire or Explosion Checklist and be familiar with it.

If You Witness a Fire or Explosion

What to Focus on

- What is the exact location of the fire or explosion.
- From a safe distance identify if there are trapped people or animals.
- What buildings are threatened by the fire.

What to Do

- Alert people in the immediate area of the fire/explosion and evacuate the area, and call 911.
- If you have been trained and it is safe to do so, you may attempt to extinguish a fire with a portable fire extinguisher. If you have not been trained to use a fire extinguisher you must evacuate the area.
- Confine the fire by closing doors as you leave the area.
- If the automatic fire alarm has not been activated, activate the building fire alarm system by pulling the handle on a manual pull station.
- Evacuate the building following the procedures listed above.

What to do next?

- Call 911 and inform dispatch that there was a bomb threat
- Give the dispatcher and first responders all the above information in detail
- Avoid the threatened area

If You Want to Stay Updated on Campus Incidents

- Check alerts on UAF on Alert (http://uafalert.alaska.edu/)
- Check in with your supervisor and/or <u>building coordinator</u>.

For more information on fire or explosion incidents see http://www.alaska.edu/risksafety/emergency/fire-or-explosion/

