



University of Massachusetts
Amherst

Physical Plant Division
policy and procedures manual

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Subject: Working on Roofs which contain Emergency Warning Sirens

Purpose: To document proper procedure and PPE (personal protective equipment) used when accessing and working on roofs which contain emergency warning sirens.

Action: The following buildings have emergency warning sirens on their roof:

Brown Residence Hall
Franklin D.C.
Grayson Residence Hall
Hampden D.C.
Herter Hall
Student Union
Textbook Annex/ Physical Plant

Because activation of the warning sirens is possible at any time, anyone accessing these roofs must carry hearing protection (earmuffs or plugs) on their person. As the warning siren activates, the P.A. system ramp-up and warning bells chime will be heard. Immediately don hearing protection and leave the roof.

All roof access points are posted with a "Caution" sign which advises the above procedure(see enclosure #1)

Enclosures: (1) Emergency Warning Siren "Caution" Sign

Distribution:

Director
Assistant/Associate Director
Executive Assistant
All Managers
All Supervisors

CAUTION

**AN EMERGENCY WARNING SIREN
IS LOCATED ON THIS ROOF**

Activation Is Possible At Any Time

**Anyone BEYOND THIS POINT
Must Have Hearing Protection
ON THEIR PERSON**

IF EMERGENCY WARNING SIREN ACTIVATES

- **DON HEARING PROTECTION**
- **LEAVE ROOF IMMEDIATELY**

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