

CRITICAL REACTIONS IN A FIRE EMERGENCY

In a fire emergency – the Estate will communicate in terms of the severity and fire zones affected



1. Stay close to your cell phone and have your Data activated.
Communication will be via Whatsapp, SMS or email.
2. Reply to Communication – confirm how many people in the house
3. Know what Zone your house is located.
4. Listen what severity classification your Zone is – Green, Orange or Red
5. The person in control will make decisions and give instructions:
 - Fire Brigade in Control (if on site) – otherwise
 - Estate Manager in Control (if on site) – otherwise
 - Regional Fire Controller (if on site) – otherwise
 - Immediate Response Leader in charge until above arrive
6. Review the possible Evacuation Routes and be prepared

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FIRE SEVERITY CLASSIFICATIONS

FIRE WARNING (UNDER CONTROL) – GREEN	FIRE THREAT (PRECAUTIONARY ACTION) – ORANGE	SEVERE FIRE (LIFE THREATENING) – RED
<p>There is a fire in the neighborhood or on the estate which might threaten property or life inside the Estate but it is under control. (The Municipalities Fire Services has been informed. Activation of the Fire Management Unit to assist.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communicate to each zone the location and description of the fire. - HO may decide to prepare for an evacuation or leave the estate premises but informing the estate office or comms person. - Be ready and close to phone & reply to the communication – state number of residents on site - Coordinators in control will get the Bakkie Sakkie/(water cart ready with extra fuel, fire hoses and fire beaters and may be dispatched to the fire or just be in a state of readiness. - Coordinators in control need to decide if it is necessary to change the allocation of water to the zones through the valves at the reservoir. 	<p>There is a fire on the estate or fast approaching the estate which will threaten property and/or human life. (Municipalities Fire Services has been notified. The Fire Management Unit has been called for to assist.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communicate to each zone the location and status of the fire. - Owners would be instructed to prepare for an evacuation by road, and which road would be used as well as an assembly point. - Be ready and close to phone & reply to the communication – state number of residents on site - Evacuation instruction may be come – ensure all residents are accounted for by responsible persons. - The home owners may depart already to the assembly point. - If time permits, HO can clear fuel load and vegetation around the houses eg. dry bush. - Close the gas valves and fuel should be removed. - Water sprinklers & fire hoses at the houses should be switched on. - Fire hoses to be connected to hydrants or main lines at the houses, on instructions of the fire team in charge. - Coordinators in control will now direct teams that fight the fires. Bakkie Sakkie will be ready for fire fighting - Coordinators in control will allocate water to the zones classified as ORANGE - A controller to be put in charge of the assembly point with lists of all the houses, with numbers and contact persons - A controller to be put in charge of the assembly point with lists of 	<p>The fire is mostly out of control and is threatening property and human life on the estate. (This type of event will be coordinated and controlled by the Municipalities Fire Service once on site. Response of all resources to render assistance shall be called upon.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Home owners will be instructed to evacuate. - The Coordinator in control of the emergency will decide on the evacuation - Communications person will instruct homeowners in relevant zones to evacuate to the assembly points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o By foot or car o Take water and cellphone. o Which routes, boardwalks o Where the assembly point is and to report that all guests / owners / visitors of a house are accounted for. - The Coordinator in control will allocate water to the zones classified as RED - A controller to be put in charge of the assembly point with lists of all the houses, with numbers and contact persons which were obtained from the Office.