City of Cleveland
Division of Fire

Public Assembly Occupancies
“Expectation Of Safety”

Employees and Visitors

Plans

Training
Emergency Plans

Required (MC 391.27 and OFC Sec. 702)

Written

Reviewed and Updated

Accountability

- Employees
- Subcontractors
New components

“White Powder” Incidents
- Isolate and call Authorities

Bomb threats

Crisis Intervention

WMD Incidents

Area-wide Evacuation
Training

Full and Part Time Employees

Training Sessions should be documented and placed in employee files.

Perceived and/or actual threats should be dealt with in an organized manner (i.e. bomb threats, white powder issues etc)
Employees should . . .

- Be aware of potential risks in their area
- Be familiar with surroundings and how to safely evacuate by two pathways
- Be familiar with the operation of extinguishers and other fire protection systems.
- Not become complacent with false alarms
Typical Issues

- Locked Exit Doors (Special locking arrangements need approval from AHJ prior to installation)
- Non-functional emergency lighting
- Hidden Exits
- OOS or impaired fire protection systems
Panic is the number one killer in fire or other emergencies, particularly in public assembly occupancies.

Stay Calm

Notify appropriate authority. Do not assume someone else has.
Help Arrives

Single greatest asset to responders is an individual who knows or has access to:

- Facility
- Plans
- Call List
- Materials/risks on site
- Knox System
www.cleveland.oh.us

- Click on “Emergency Preparedness”

www.ready.gov