



Construction of a four-bedroom chalet bungalow on land adjacent to
Croft House, Croft Road, Spencers Wood, Wokingham, RG2 9EY

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Emergency Plan

Induction

All workers on site will be expected to be familiar with this plan and to register with the AWE text alert system.

Triggers for activation of the plan

All workers on site will be required to register with the AWE Text Alert system¹. If alerted they are expected to warn everyone on site and respond accordingly.

The site will have a radio capable of tuning into the local radio stations that will provide more information.

Means and location of sheltering

AWE's recommendation is that people be advised to shelter as soon as possible and that they may need to remain in shelter for up to 48 hours.

If the house is weather tight then the workforce and visitors will shelter in the house.

If the house is not weather tight the workforce will either shelter in a neighbouring house, shelter in their own cars/vans while wearing face masks or evacuate.

Means of support for staff and visitors whilst in sheltering conditions

Provision for supporting staff and visitors will be limited to having a minimal supply of food and water adequate, if not comfortable, for two days and having the local authority prior information available for reference.

People sheltering in vehicles will be able to tune into the local radio stations for news and updated advice.

There will be a store of emergency food suitable for emergencies and adequate for 48 hours at the maximum occupancy (expected to be four).

¹ Text "B" to 0786 003 0391.

Before the building has potable mains water there will be a stock of 48 litres for drinking and hygiene purposes (6 litres a day for four persons). Once mains water is provided this provision will not be maintained.

A supply of Covid-type face masks (FFP2) sufficient for 10 per person at the maximum occupancy will be retained during the building phase.

Means of evacuation and recovery

If the local authority changes the advice to evacuation their advice will be followed so far as is practical.

It will be a condition of working on the site that the contractor has a vehicle that they can use to evacuate in should the need arise.

Self-decontamination

Government advice on self-decontamination is given as an appendix to this plan.

Method and frequency of review

The plan will be reviewed annually by Calcot Developments Limited by discussing it in a toolbox safety briefing with the workforce and making any changes that are agreed.

Poster

The Emergency Plan poster will be prominently displayed on the site Health and Safety Board.

Contractor names and emergency contact information for the construction period.

These are listed in an attachment to this document.

How to remove radioactive material from your skin and clothes – self-decontamination guidance

From <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/radiation-emergencies-information-for-the-public/how-to-remove-radioactive-material-from-your-skin-and-clothes-self-decontamination-guidance>

The most important thing you can do if you are near a radiation emergency is go inside and stay inside with doors and windows closed. Tune in to news updates so you know what to do next.

This guidance provides details of the steps you can take to protect yourself and others in removing any radioactive material that may have settled on your clothes and body.

Taking off your outer layer of clothing can remove up to 90% of radioactive material.

Step 1: Go inside and remove your outer layers of clothing

1. Get inside a building as soon as possible.
2. Do not move around too much and limit your contact with other people until you've decontaminated yourself.
3. If a clean face mask or face covering is immediately available, put it on.
4. Take off your outer layer of clothes and shoes. Cut off clothing where necessary to avoid removing anything over your head.
5. Avoid touching the outside of your clothing with your skin.
6. Put your clothing and face covering in a plastic bag or other sealable container, seal it and place it away from people.

Step 2: Wash yourself

Mains water (water in the shower or taps) is safe to use. Shower if you can.

If you can shower:

7. Wash your body, face and hair using soap and shampoo. Use warm water.
8. Do not use conditioner as it may fix contaminants to your hair.
9. Keep your mouth and eyes closed when washing your hair and face.
10. Do not scrub your skin or wounds. You can use a sponge or a wash cloth. If you use a sponge or a wash cloth, dispose of it in a sealed bag and place it away from people.

If you cannot shower:

11. Wash your hands, face, hair and other exposed body parts at a sink or tap.
12. Use soap and plenty of water. Do not use conditioner as it may fix contaminants to your hair.
13. Keep your mouth and eyes closed when washing your hair and face.

If you cannot use a sink or tap:

14. Use a moist wipe, clean wet cloth or damp paper towel to wipe the parts of your body that were uncovered.

15. Pay special attention to your hands and face. Gently wipe your eyelids and around your mouth, moving outwards and away from your nose and mouth. Blow your nose. Do not scrub your skin or wounds.

16. Place any waste materials in a plastic bag or other sealable container, seal it and place it away from people.

Step 3: Put on clean clothes

17. Put on clean clothes that have been stored indoors.

18. Do not put contaminated clothes back on.

Step 4: Helping others and pets

19. Wear waterproof gloves and a face mask if possible.

20. Keep cuts and scrapes covered to keep radioactive material away from open wounds.

21. Put any waste from cleaning other people or pets in a plastic bag or other sealable container. Seal the bag or container and place it away from people.

22. Rewash your hands, face and parts of your body that were uncovered.

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Preparation

If you have not done so already, please register with the AWE Emergency Text Alert System (<https://www.awe.co.uk/emergency-text-alert-service/>) by texting "B" to 0786 003 0391 and confirming you receive "Thank you. Your mobile number has been added to the B list."

In a Radiation Emergency

Go In

Go indoors as soon as you can and follow the instructions below.

Make sure everyone on site is aware of the alert and what to do.

Don a face mask and leave it on until you achieve shelter (you may leave it on in shelter if you wish)

If the building is airtight then go into it. If not either go into a neighbouring building or get into your car/van and sit with the engine and ventilation off and the doors and windows shut.

If there is any delay in gaining shelter put on a face mask.

Stay In

Stay indoors,

- Close all windows and doors.
- Turn off any fans or heating systems that could draw in the air from the outside.

Remain calm and wait for further advice.

Tune in

Tune in to a local radio station, which will give you further information or instructions, including updates on schools. It may also be worthwhile checking relevant websites such as local news, schools or councils, to see whether any more information is helpful.

Don't use the phone

Don't use the phone unless you have to. This is important because the phone system could be overloaded, preventing the emergency services and other responders from receiving or making calls, or from contacting you.

Dial 999 in the event of a real emergency or 111 if you think you need medical help right now.

Don't leave the area

Never be tempted to leave the area unless told to do so by the emergency services.

There will normally be no need for urgent evacuation.

If you try to leave, you may block the roads for the emergency services.

In the highly unlikely event that you are told to leave the area follow the advice given by the authorities.

