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Floor Warden Training

Earthquake Safety



Earthquakes

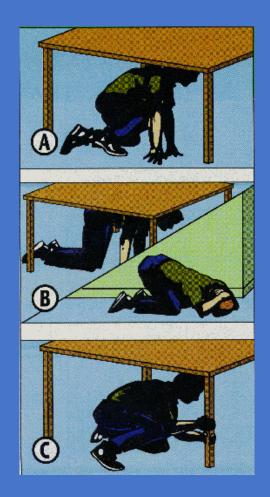
- The following video illustrates what to do and where to take cover during an earthquake:
 - Earthquake Video (2 Minutes)





Drop* Cover *Hold

- If you are indoors and you feel an earthquake starting, stay calm and:
 - Take cover under a sturdy desk or table and hold on
 - If there are no tables nearby, cover your face and head with your arms and crouch in an inside corner or interior wall (see figure B on the right)





Classroom / Lecture Theatre

 If you are in a classroom or lecture theatre when an earthquake starts:

Crouch between the Seats

Get under the Tables





Always Cover your Head & Neck



Hazards

- Move away from overhead hazards
 - Ceiling mounted projectors
 - Stay away from glass, windows or anything that could fall, such as lighting fixtures or furniture







Earthquake Safety

- Stay inside until the shaking stops and it is safe to go outside
 - Most injuries during earthquakes occur when people are hit by falling objects when entering into or exiting from buildings
 - Count to 60 before attempting to exit. If you feel any aftershocks start your count again





Outside During an Earthquake

- If you are outside stay outside
- Do not enter buildings unless you have been advised that they are safe
- Watch for hazards power lines, trees, fires, gas leaks....





Floor Wardens

- Assist with providing leadership and guidance on earthquake procedures and when it's safe to do so help facilitate the evacuation of your building
- Report any pertinent information about injuries, individuals requiring assistance, and hazardous situations to the Building Emergency Director



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