

PROCEDURE FOR SUMMONING A FIRST AIDER AND MANAGING FIRST AID SITUATIONS

In **NON-URGENT** situations:

For example

- Minor injuries and illnesses
- Bumps, bruises, scrapes, small cuts

Within normal hours:

Out with normal hours:

Action:

- Call a first aider (telephone numbers and locations can be found on the first aid lists within departments)
- If any difficulty is experienced in summoning a first aider, contact the Reception to ensure an alternative is found without delay

The First Aiders should:

- **1** Assess the situation promptly
- 2 Administer first aid within their training capacity
- 3 Call the Reception/ Switchboard for assistance if required
- 4 If hospital treatment is required contact the Reception to coordinate transport by taxi to the nearest hospital.

Action:

 Call Reception for assistance

Overnight hours:

Action:

 Call Reception for assistance

In **URGENT** situations, where the casualty:

For example

- Is in cardiac arrest
- Is experiencing a medical emergency (e.g. Epilepsy, asthma, anaphylaxis, stroke, diabetes)
- Has significant trauma (e.g. Spinal injury, amputation, significant head injury)
- Has completely stopped functioning
- Is at imminent risk of harm to themselves or others and judgement is impaired
- Is violent or is threatening violence
- Is disorientated and out of touch with reality

Within normal hours:

Action:

- · Call 999 immediately
- Call a first aider (telephone numbers and locations can be found on the First Aid lists within departments)
- If any difficulty is experienced in summoning a first aider, contact the Reception to ensure an alternative is found without delay

The First Aider should:

- **1** Assess the situation promptly
- 2 Take charge and administer first aid within their training capacity until assistance arrives
- 3 In the event of a cardiac arrest, request urgent deployment of the nearest AED by contacting Reception/ Switchboard

Out with normal hours:

Action:

- Call 999 immediately
- Call Reception for assistance

Overnight hours:

Action:

- Call 999 immediately
- Call Reception for assistance

WHEN CALLING THE RECEPTION BY DIALING '0' (OR 0141 3534600) FROM AN EXTERNAL PHONE OR MOBILE, YOU WILL NEED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- Your name and department
- Exact location, including the building, floor and room number
- The nature of incident

In ALL situations:

- Where possible, make sure you have support and do not leave the injured/ill person alone
- Stav calm
- Engage with the injured/ill person
- Put your own safety and that of others at the scene first
- Report the incident following GSA's Procedure for Reporting Accidents, Incidents and Near Miss Events