

EMERGENCY RESPONSE IN THE BREWERY

- ▶ Emergencies happen - slips, sudden illness, intoxication, or medical events.
- ▶ A clear Emergency Action Plan (EAP) protects staff *and* patrons.
 - ▶ Review annually and conduct drills.
- ▶ Consistency and a calm response build trust and minimize risk.





RECOGNIZING AN EMERGENCY

- ▶ Injuries: bleeding, burns, broken bones.
- ▶ Medical distress: chest pain, seizures, breathing trouble, unconsciousness.
- ▶ Alcohol-related: unresponsiveness, vomiting, unsafe mobility.
- ▶ Behavioral: aggression, confusion, or risk to others.
- ▶ Rule of thumb: When in doubt, call 911 early.



IMMEDIATE STAFF ACTIONS

- ▶ EAP Lead takes charge; backup if the primary is absent.
- ▶ Check scene safety before assisting; use gloves or barriers.
- ▶ Assign roles quickly:
 - ▶ Caller (911)
 - ▶ Crowd control
 - ▶ AED/first-aid kit runner
 - ▶ Door guide for EMS
- ▶ Provide care only within training (First Aid, CPR, AED).
- If staff are designated responders → follow Exposure Control Plan.





CALLING EMS & AFTER THE INCIDENT

- ▶ Call EMS for life-threatening conditions or whenever unsure.
- ▶ While waiting:
 - ▶ Keep exit routes clear for EMS.
 - ▶ Have a staff member meet responders outside.
 - ▶ Stay with and reassure the patron.
- ▶ Afterward:
 - ▶ Document the incident and staff actions.
 - ▶ Log training, drills, and response reviews.
 - ▶ Debrief staff and update the EAP as needed.
 - ▶ Review EAP and update as necessary
 - ▶ Incorporate lessons learned into the revision.
 - ▶ Schedule an emergency response drill.



OCBA SAFETY COMMITTEE

Health & Safety Resources are available at:

- [OCBA Safety](#)
- [Rubicon EHS - Services for Breweries](#)
- [Ohio BWC Consultation Program](#)

Submit questions to the OCBA Safety Committee:

- ohiocraftbeer.org/safetyquestions/

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