

# G&T Events Ltd (trading as Future Survival)

# **Emergency Procedure Policy**

This is a core policy that forms part of the induction for <u>all</u> staff. It is a requirement that all members of staff have access to this policy and sign to say they have read <u>and</u> understood its contents.

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This policy will be reviewed <u>at least</u> annually and/or following any updates to national and local guidance and procedures.

#### 1. Purpose

This policy outlines the procedures to follow in the event of:

- An unauthorised or potentially dangerous person on site, and/or
- A missing child or vulnerable adult.

The aim is to ensure the safety and well-being of all children, young people, staff, and visitors at **Future Survival**.

#### 2. Unauthorised Person on Site

#### **Definition**

An unauthorised person is any individual on the premises who:

- Has not signed in or been verified by a staff member;
- Is behaving in a suspicious, aggressive, or inappropriate manner;
- Is believed to pose a threat to the safety of others, particularly children or vulnerable individuals.

#### **Procedure**

If an unauthorised or threatening individual is identified:

- 1. Alert staff discreetly and immediately.
- 2. Mag-Lock Activation: If it is safe to do so, the main activity room will be locked down using the magnetic locking system to restrict access to children and staff.

## 3. Secure the Children:

- Move children and vulnerable individuals to the designated safe zone (or lockdown area).
- If necessary and safe, use fire exits to evacuate children to a secure location outside the premises.

#### 4. Call Emergency Services:

 Dial 999 and provide accurate details of the incident, including a description of the intruder, location, and actions taken.

# 5. Await Police Guidance:

- o Follow police or emergency services instructions upon arrival.
- o Do not attempt to physically confront the individual.

#### 6. Communication:

 The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) or senior staff member will liaise with authorities and notify parents/carers if required.

#### **Post-Incident Review**

- Complete a detailed **incident report**, including:
  - o Time of entry, staff response, evacuation details, and outcome.
- Conduct a debrief with staff.
- Review and update procedures to improve response in future incidents.

#### 3. Missing Person Procedure

#### Definition

A missing person is defined as a child or vulnerable adult who is unaccounted for during a session and cannot be located within the immediate area.

#### **Immediate Actions**

#### 1. Raise the Alarm:

Notify the DSL and senior staff member immediately.

#### 2. Initial Search:

- o Conduct a thorough and swift search of:
  - All rooms, toilets, store cupboards, stairwells, and hiding spaces.
  - Outdoor areas, car parks, and surrounding premises.

# 3. Call the Child's Name:

 If safe and appropriate, involve other staff in calling out to the child in case they are hiding or unaware they are considered missing.

#### **Escalation**

If the child or vulnerable adult is not located within **10 minutes** (or sooner if circumstances suggest danger):

- Notify the Police (999).
- Contact the child's parent or guardian immediately.
- Provide a description of the individual and last known location to all parties.

# **Incident Recording**

- Record all details including:
  - Time individual was noted missing;
  - Staff present and actions taken;
  - Timeline of searches and communication;
  - Outcome and police reference (if applicable).

#### **Aftercare and Review**

- Offer support to staff and children involved.
- **Debrief and review procedures** to identify any gaps or failures.
- Update risk assessments and training as needed.

#### 4. General Lockdown Procedure

A general lockdown will be initiated when there is a potential or confirmed threat to safety either onsite or nearby. This may include intruders, violent incidents, or danger from outside (e.g. nearby police activity).

#### **Lockdown Signal:**

• A verbal or radio instruction from a senior staff member.

#### **Procedure:**

- All staff to secure their area and move children away from doors and windows.
- Lock internal doors if possible.
- Switch off lights and keep children calm and quiet.
- Staff must not leave the room or building unless directed by emergency services.
- If safe, the **mag-lock** will be activated to secure the main activity room.
- Use radios to communicate discreetly and confirm safety of each group.
- Await further instructions from senior staff or emergency services.

#### 5. Evacuation Procedure

An evacuation will be called in the event of a fire, gas leak, structural risk, or other incident where it is safer to leave the building.

#### **Evacuation Signal:**

• Continuous fire alarm or direct instruction from senior staff.

# **Procedure:**

- Evacuate immediately via the **two designated fire exits**.
- Do not stop to collect personal belongings.
- Lead groups calmly to the assembly point outside Gravesham Community Hospital (next door).
- Conduct a headcount and check attendance against the register.
- Remain at the assembly point until given the all-clear by the emergency services or site lead.

## 6. Safeguarding Emergency – DSL/Deputy DSL Unavailable

If a safeguarding concern arises and neither the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) nor Deputy DSL is available:

#### **Procedure:**

- 1. **Do not delay action.** If a child is at immediate risk of harm, call **999**.
- 2. Record the concern in as much detail as possible using factual, non-judgemental language.
- 3. Report the concern to a senior staff member who will:
  - Contact the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) if the concern involves a staff member.
  - o Contact **Children's Social Care** for any child protection concern.
- 4. All staff should refer to the **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy** for detailed guidance.

# **Key External Contacts:**

- Kent Integrated Children's Services/ Children's Social Work Services
  - <u>Kent Integrated Children's Services Portal</u> select 'urgent' if there is an immediate risk/concern

Front Door Service: 03000 411111
Out of Hours Number: 03000 419191

#### 7. Prevention Measures

To minimise risks:

- All external access doors remain locked and monitored.
- Children are supervised at all times in secure areas.
- Registers are taken for every session.
- Children are only released to authorised adults listed on registration forms.
- Staff are trained to recognise suspicious behaviour and respond to emergencies.

# 8. Key Roles

• DSL: Graham Broadbent

• Emergency Contact: 07852988783, commander@futuresurvival.co.uk

• Emergency Services: 999