



# BE PREPARED FOR A FIRE/ EXPLOSION

An explosion is a violent release of energy caused by a reaction.

Often caused by humans or lightening.



Can create problems with transportation, gas, power and communications.



Can damage your property.



Can happen anywhere, anytime.

## IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN A FIRE/EXPLOSION INCIDENT

1. Try to remain calm.
2. Use the **RACE** Method: **R**escue, **A**lert, **C**lose, **E**vacuate.
3. **R**escue yourself; help others escape if it is safe to do so.
4. If it is not already on, activate the fire alarm on the way out to **A**lert others.
5. **C**lose the door on the way out to separate you from the fire.
6. **E**vacuate the building, then call the CWRU Emergency Line at 216.368.3333.
7. Use the stairs, NOT the elevators.
8. Stay low to the ground to avoid smoke inhalation.
9. If you are properly trained to do so, and if the fire is small, use a fire extinguisher. **DO NOT** attempt to put the fire out if you are not trained.
10. If your clothing catches fire, **STOP, DROP and ROLL.**
11. Do not jeopardize your personal safety, never allow a fire to come between you and an exit.
12. Once out of the building, move at least 300 feet from the structure or as instructed by Public Safety officials.