WHAT IS AN EMERGENCY?
An emergency is an immediate threat to life and/or property requiring immediate response from police, fire or EMS. If you are not sure, error on the side of caution.

WHEN REPORTING AN EMERGENCY:
- Provide the address, location and description of emergency
- Provide the phone number at your location.
- Provide thorough description of incident
- Hang up only after you have been told
- Stay on the line until all requested information is provided

MEDIA REQUESTS
Refer media requests to University Communications and Marketing at 715-346-3046.

What is Pointer Alerts?
Pointer Alerts is UW-Stevens Point’s emergency notification system.

No spam! Just emergencies.
The system allows University Police to provide information to the campus community regarding active credible emergency situations that pose a threat to life safety and require immediate action.

How do I sign up?
All faculty, staff and students are automatically registered to receive Pointer Alerts via their campus email account and their cell phone (as a text message).

Keep your contact information (i.e., cell phone number) current in your accesSPoint profile (students) or at My UW-System (non-students).
Reminders

Fire/Explosion

If you discover a fire,
1. Pull fire alarm
2. If time permits, shut down any hazardous equipment or processes
3. EVACUATE building using stairs and closest exit
4. Provide assistance to those with special needs
5. Report to your department’s designated gathering point
6. From a safe location, call 9-1-1 with information about the emergency and location
7. Do not reenter building unless authorized by fire department

Active Shooter Run–Hide–Fight

Once known, an active shooter alert will be sent using the campus emergency notification system, Pointer Alerts.

How to Respond
Quickly determine the most reasonable way to protect your own life by following one or more of the steps below:

CALL 9-1-1 WHEN SAFE TO DO SO

RUN (When shooter is in your vicinity)
- Have an escape route plan in mind.
- Leave belongings behind.
- Keep your hands visible.

HIDE/LOCK OUT/LIGHTS OUT (If evacuation is not possible)
- Hide in an area out of view.
- Block entry to hiding place and lock doors. Turn off lights.

FIGHT (If unable to escape shooter’s area and in direct conflict with shooter)
- Commit to your actions and act as aggressively as possible.
- Throw items and improvise weapons to distract and disarm the shooter.

When Law Enforcement Arrives...
- The first officers on scene will not stop to help injured.
- Remain calm and follow instructions.
- Keep your hands empty, raised, and in plain view at all times.
- Do not ask officers for help or direction when evacuating.

If Not in Affected Building...
- DO NOT go near affected building.
- Stay in safe location and lock doors.
- If off campus, remain off campus.

Severe Weather

Tornado Warning

Watch vs. Warning
Tornado Watch: Severe thunderstorms with tornadoes are possible in your area. Remain alert for approaching storms. Be prepared to move to safety if a Warning is issued.

Tornado Warning: A tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. Move to a place of safety now!

Take the following actions during tornado warnings:

Seek Immediate Shelter—Go to nearest storm shelter* AVOIDING wide-span structures (gyms, pools or large classrooms)
- Take shelter in a basement or below ground evacuation location.
- REMEMBER: Bring flashlight, weather radio and cell phone with you.
- Stay away from windows.
- If unable to get to lowest area, go to an interior room or stairwell away from windows and exterior doors.
- Take cover under sturdy objects, duck and cover your head with your arms.

Remain in the storm shelter until the warning is cancelled.

*UW-Stevens Point Storm Shelter Locations — www.uwsp.edu/emergency/Pages/floor-plans.aspx

For more information, see www.uwsp.edu/emergency/Pages/active-shooter.aspx.

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