

9. POWER FAILURE

In the event of a power failure, the emergency lighting system will automatically come on. In the event that Ontario/Ottawa Hydro estimates that the power failure will be lengthy, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and/or the Deputy Minister for International Trade will render a decision regarding early closure for the Department.

Subject to the conditions and standards of the Canada Labour Code Part II as prescribed in *Treasury Board Manual*, the Department's Joint Occupational Safety and Health Committee (JOSH) will monitor environmental conditions on the respective floors and report their findings to their respective Senior Manager.

During a power failure, one elevator, powered by the Emergency Power System, will function within each tower. However, **restricted emergency use** is controlled by the Fire/Emergency Response Organization personnel who will use them to evacuate mobility impaired persons.

WHEN A POWER FAILURE OCCURS

1. Remain on your floor. If you are on another floor do not attempt to return to your floor until such time that the power is restored.
2. Await the restoration of the power or an announcement over the Public Address System that the building will be evacuated.

If you are in an elevator when the power failure occurs

1. **REMAIN CALM.** The elevator will come to a halt pending the activation of the Emergency Power System.
2. Once engaged, the Emergency Power System will confine the elevator to a controlled descent to the main lobby.
3. Exit from the elevator and wait in the lobby area for further developments.

If the power failure occurs during silent hours

If a power failure occurs during silent hours and you require assistance in vacating your floor, contact the Building Fire/Safety Control Centre by a Red Emergency Telephone or call 992-1150. The elevator on emergency power will be dispatched to assist you.