Illuminated Emergency Exit Signage

Emergency exit signs denoting direction of travel to an emergency stairwell or exit are suspended from the ceilings or mounted on the walls throughout the building. In the event of a power failure these signs remain illuminated. (Refer to *Emergency Power System*)

Emergency Power System

In the event of a power failure or interruption, an emergency power generator will start within one minute of the power shortage. Emergency power will be provided to emergency lighting units, designated emergency elevators and emergency systems such as the public address system and the red emergency telephone system. The latter two systems are additionally linked to an emergency battery backup to ensure continuous operation should the emergency power generator malfunction.

Emergency Stairwells

There are at least two (2) emergency exit stairwells on each occupied floor within a tower of the Lester B. Pearson Building. Occupants should be familiar with the whereabouts of the emergency stairwells and use the closest one during an emergency evacuation.

Fire Hose Cabinets

There are four (4) fire hose cabinets located on each floor – two at each end of the floor, on opposite sides of the central core. They contain a fire hose and a portable pressurized water fire extinguisher, the latter may be employed to extinguish a small fire such as in a waste paper basket provided the fire is not between you and the emergency exit.

Evacuation Chairs for Mobility Impaired Persons

Special carrying chairs are located in the elevator lobbies of those floors where mobility impaired persons are present. In the hands of trained personnel, they may be employed to evacuate a mobility impaired person from the floor if deemed required. Mobility impaired persons are the last to be evacuated from their floor, as an unobstructed evacuation route is essential.

Elevators

Elevators are NOT to be used during an emergency fire evacuation. Occupants, who are in an elevator when the emergency electronic bell tone sounds, should remain calm while the elevator makes its way to the main lobby, debark upon its arrival and exit the building.