



# Everyone should have a Contingency Plan

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# Contingency Plans

## **40 CFR - Subpart D**

### **265.51 Purpose and implementation of contingency plan.**

- (a) Each owner or operator must have a contingency plan for his facility. The contingency plan must be designed to minimize hazards to human health or the environment from fires, explosions, or any unplanned sudden or non-sudden release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents to air, soil, or surface water.
- (b) The provisions of the plan must be carried out immediately whenever there is a fire, explosion, or release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents which could threaten human health or the environment.

# In Case of Fires



# Explosions



# Spills



# Releases





# Who should have a Plan (Everyone!)

- TSDFs – Full Plan + permit conditions
- LQGs - The Full Plan
- SQGs - The Small Plan
- CESQGs -The Small Plan (recommended)



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# The Full Plan

## 40 CFR 265.50 - 265.56







# What should it include?

- Name, Address & Phone # of Emergency Coordinator.
- Actions Facility employees will take in response to a Fire, Explosion, Spill, or Release of a hazardous waste or waste constituents.



## What else should the plan include?

- Agreements with local Fire Dept or Haz-Mat, and with Contracted Emergency Response Contractors.
- Evacuation Routes and Signals.
- List of Emergency Equipment including location and capabilities.



# Who gets a copy?

- Keep a copy on site – make it readily accessible to employees and emergency responders.
- Send a copy to any local Fire Dept, Hospital, Haz-Mat team that might have to respond in an emergency.



# Updates

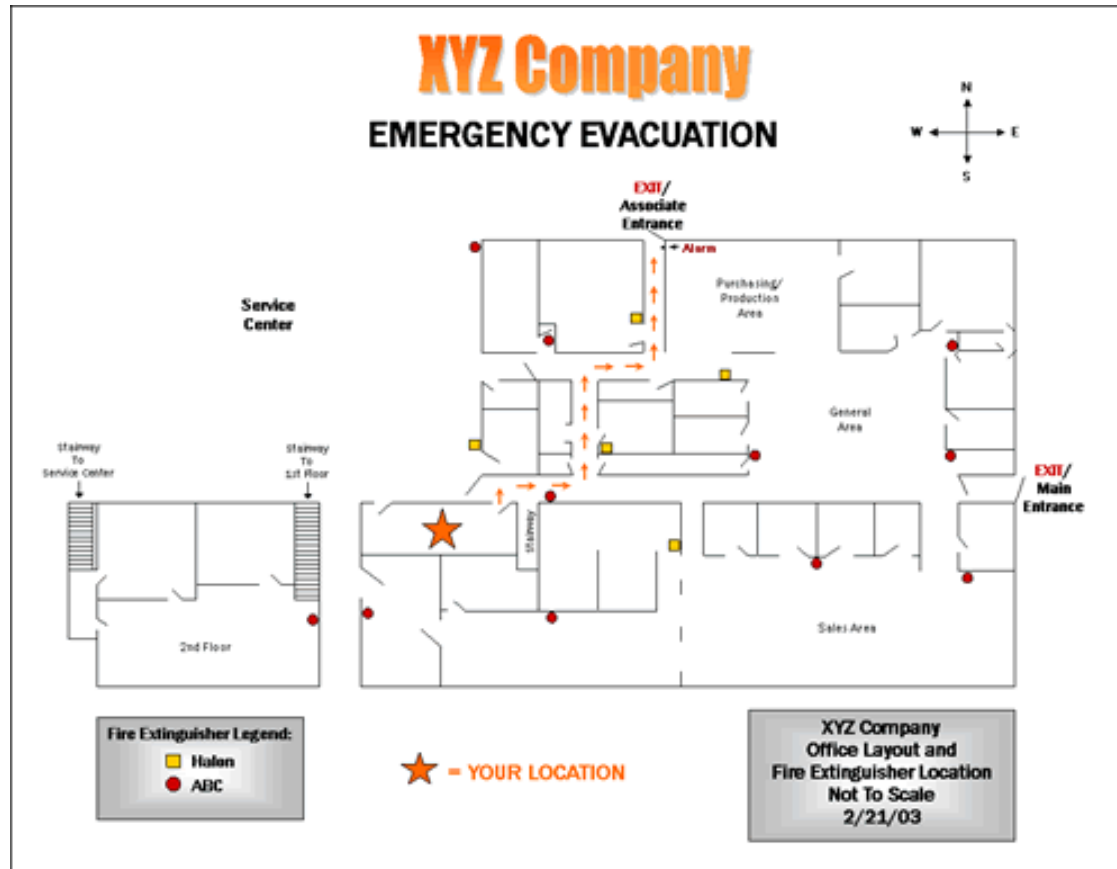
- The Plan must be updated if:
  - (a) Applicable regulations are revised;
  - (b) The plan fails in an emergency;
  - (c) The facility changes in a way that increases the potential for fires, explosions, or releases; or changes the response necessary in an emergency;
  - (d) The list of emergency coordinators changes; or
  - (e) The list of emergency equipment changes.
- Must Send New Copies to FD, Haz-Mat etc

# The Small Plan

## 40 CFR 262.34(d)5



# Actually its more like...





Or...





## What should it include?


- The name and telephone number of the emergency coordinator;
- Location of fire extinguishers and spill control material, and, if present, fire alarm; and
- The telephone number of the fire department, unless the facility has a direct alarm.



# Who is the “Emergency Coordinator” and what does he do?

- Either on the facility premises or on call.
- Thoroughly familiar with all aspects of the contingency plan, all operations at the facility, the location and characteristics of waste handled, the location of all records within the facility, and the facility layout.
- Responsible for coordinating all emergency response measures.
- Must have the authority to commit the resources needed to carry out the contingency plan.





I already have a DPPC, SPPC, or Facility Wide Emergency Plan. Do I need a separate contingency plan just for RCRA waste?

- No, but your other plan should include the all the aspects integral to the contingency plan.



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