

**EARTHQUAKE ACTION DRILL**

**Sequence**

**Part 1 - communication**

**Inform all participants/occupants of the simulation exercise and the actions they will be expected to take.**

* Have Safety Monitors in place to assist with the marshalling of participants/occupants
* Advise participants/occupants on the “trigger” for the exercise.
* Inform participants/occupants of the steps they will be required to take when the “shaking begins”, during the “shaking” and when the “shaking” ends.
* Name observers/evaluators

**Part 2 – Earthquake event**

**You may choose to use any of the following as the signal simulating the start of the earthquake.**

* A distinct sound such as that of a whistle, siren, horn or your fire alarm
* A message passed via the telephone/intercom system
* You may choose for the event to commence at a certain time (which would be shared with all participants/occupants)

***ALARM #1***

***Set the trigger in motion.***

***RESPONSE #1***

***Participants/occupants are expected to take the appropriate actions- Drop; Cover and Hold***

* ***Move under a sturdy desk/table etc.***
* ***Stand in a door jamb***
* ***Stand against a wall***

**Part 3 – End of the initial Earthquake**

After FIVE (5) MINUTES, another signal is given to participants. This is meant to indicate the end of the initial Earthquake.

**You may choose to use any of the following as the signal for the end of the initial the earthquake.**

* A distinct sound such as that of a whistle, siren, horn or your fire alarm
* A message passed via the telephone/intercom system
* You may choose for the event to end at a certain time (which would be shared with all participants)

***ALARM #2 -indicating the end of the initial earthquake.***

**Part 4 - Evacuation**

**At the end of the initial Earthquake, participants/occupants are required to evacuate the facility.**

***RESPONSE #2***

* ***Execute the Evacuation Plan***
* ***Evacuate the Building***

All occupants are required to move to the nearest/safest exists, EVACUATE the facility and purposefully go to the designated Assembly Point.

**Part 5- the debrief**

A debrief is conducted by the observers/evaluators.