

Emergency Preparedness Checklist

With respect to your businesses' emergency preparedness, have you considered:

- Visual and audible signals for your fire alarms and safety routes?
- Ensuring people using mobility aids can use the main exit routes and doors in case of emergency?
- Ensuring that a fire policy and safety plan are developed, and taught to all staff, for evacuating people with disabilities?
- Offering emergency information in alternate formats, such as large print, Braille, audio file, or electronic text?

Sources:

1. "Recruit Ability...A handbook for success in recruitment & hiring individuals with disabilities", Persons with Disabilities Collaborative Partnership Network of Nova Scotia
2. Government of Ontario, "Making buildings and spaces accessible", from http://www.mcass.gov.on.ca/en/mcass/programs/accessibility/understanding_accessibility/making_buildings_accessible.aspx