

MSAD 75
Safety Guidelines

Sanitation Considerations –Loss of Bathroom Flush Water

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Background:

A recent Department of Labor Workplace Safety Audit cited the District for not having adequate toilet facilities for our employees during an extended power outage.

Bowdoin Central, West Harpswell and Harpswell Islands Elementary Schools are on well water systems. Upon loss of power these schools have minimum supply of water for toilets until power is restored (Approximately 100 gallons in a pressurized tank).

Requirements:

Each of the above schools shall evoke the following in the event a power loss of sufficient duration exists and school remains in session:

1) Request male employees use urinals if possible. Request female employees to use all available toilets until fully utilized at which time if water is not restored designate two toilets and begin step (2).

2) Contact your Custodian or Buildings & Grounds to evoke one of the following options (listed in order of preference) to reduce the impact of loss of bathroom flush water:

A) If available, hook up / start an emergency generator and power up well water system to restore flushing capabilities.

- OR -

B) If available (i.e. currently on site for other reasons) direct employees to port-a-potties (1 required for WH and 2 required for BC & HIS based on employee population).

- OR -

C) Have on hand (in advance of any loss of power) ten gallons of water stored & labeled in an appropriate sealed container. Each toilet flush is approximately 2 gallons. Designate the custodian to displace two gallons of water after the appropriate time in the designated toilets.

- OR -

D) Place approximately 12 ounces (high concentrate) of Enzysan in each designated toilet which will clean, sanitize and reduce odors. This product is currently used and available at all schools with the MSDS sheet on hand at the school. The product will address safety concerns of multiple use but may need to be replenished over time.

This safety guideline or the requirements here-in shall be incorporated into the above designated school safety plans.