### Guideline

**10.11 Fauna Park – High Risk Work Spaces**

**Purpose**

The Macquarie University Fauna Park stretches over 11Ha; and is committed to non-intrusive research. Induction is required To ensure the Health & Safety of all visitors and to assist Fauna Park Staff when required. The Fauna Park is a higher-risk workplace because it has isolated areas and stores / handles hazardous chemicals. However the associated risks are only minimally higher because of the nature of the work carried out.

**Guideline**

Requirements for higher-risk workplaces

There is no risk of being incapacitated by the animals kept in the Fauna Park. The small volumes and types of chemicals stored and handled in the Fauna Park have only normal risk levels.

**Isolated areas:**


1. These are Controlled Environment Rooms.
2. All CERs are isolated spaces but are not locked.
3. They are normally entered / checked daily by staff and students in the course of normal activities.
4. Emergency Wardens have been trained to check inside each of these spaces in an evacuation.

**Buildings W19F 113 and W21B 101 have sound chambers.**

1. These could be closed from the outside but cannot be locked and have handles to open them from the inside.
2. Emergency Wardens have been trained to check inside each of these spaces in an evacuation.

**Areas:** 2-3, 5-8, 10, 12-19, 21-28 and Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest

(Vacant areas: 6-8, 15, 26-27 and Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest)
1. These are mostly animal holding or plant growth areas but are isolated locations, in which it would be possible for someone to collapse and not be seen by others.

2. Most animal holding areas are checked daily.

3. Snakebite is of concern. Students carry phones and can call for assistance.

4. Snakebite kits are available.

All Areas would need to be checked in the unlikely event of a complete evacuation of the entire Fauna Park.

Emergency Services would need to coordinate this with the Fauna Park Manager to ensure correct key access and to protect the welfare of the animals.


1. These are all sheds or buildings in which it would be possible for someone to collapse and not be seen by others.

2. All enclosed animal holding buildings are checked daily. All buildings would need to be checked in the unlikely event of a complete evacuation.

3. Security would need to coordinate this with the Fauna Park Manager to ensure correct key access and to protect the welfare of the animals.


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