

## **Severe Weather Safety Precautions**

- Monitor alert notifications
- Adhere to all weather forecasts and instructions
- Keep doors and windows closed and only open as required
- · Secure or remove lightweight or loose objects from open areas
- Avoid driving during high winds, low visibility or heavy rain conditions
- Relocate vehicles from flood-prone areas.

## Flooding

- Use alternate entrances to campus away from flood-prone areas.
- Park on the second level or higher in the parking garage.
- Leave extra time to make commutes.
- Do not try to cross or drive in any fast moving or standing water
- Do not circumvent barricades on campus and in the community; they are for your safety.
- Avoid all floodwaters without the correct PPE as floodwaters can contain sewage and skin irritants
- Beware of dislodged drainage covers, which can suck a person in at great force
- If you must enter floodwaters, use a stick etc. to test the ground in front of you and always keep two points of contact with the ground
- Give assistance to those who need it, young and elderly etc.
- Keep clear of any flooded areas where electric cables are down, or water has encroached on electrical equipment for the risk of electrocution
- Move to higher ground where possible
- Move any valuable, critical, sensitive or electrical equipment to a higher floor
- Monitor all flood/storm alert notifications for instructions and possible evacuation alerts

## Thunderstorms & Lightning

- Remain alert to approaching storms and potential flooding
- Remain indoors until the warning expires. Direct anyone outside, to immediately seek shelter indoors
- Stay away from all windows and doors during the storm. Close shades or blinds to reduce the risk of flying glass if it breaks due to high winds
- Monitor notifications with updates of the latest weather information
- Use only critical electrical equipment during lightning storms
- Avoid using a corded telephone or other electrical appliances until the storm passes
- Switch off and unplug non-essential equipment

## **Emergency & Essential Numbers**

- In a life-threatening emergency, always call KAUST Emergency Services first at (012) 808 0911 from a mobile phone or 911 from a landline.
- If you experience flooding or a power outage in your housing unit or office/laboratory, call the Facilities Management Call Centre at (012) 808 0959 right away. The Facilities Management Call Centre is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- If you experience road flooding, contact the Facilities Management Call Centre at (012) 808 0959 right away.