



SCS OP Risk Committee

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With many customers of the PG&E experiencing power outages in the State of California, The Op Risk Committee would encourage each SCS Club, Coach and Official to review the following recommendations:

Each SCS Club, Coach and Official have a duty to provide a safe environment for the athletes and support groups that support the athletes. Emergency Action Plans (EAP) is term used in the aquatic field. According to the Law Dictionary online legal dictionary 2nd edition, EAP is defined: “Publically displayed collection of sub-plans for specific emergencies. Details step-by-step procedures to follow in case of fire, chemical spill, or a major accident. An emergency action plan includes who notify, who does what, and location of emergency equipment.” **Specific emergencies can range from and not limited to thunder/lightening, Biohazard mishaps, drownings, active shooter, a fallen tree blocking the emergency exit and power outages just to list a few. Please be advised that a facility may have sub-plans for specific emergencies. SCS Op Risk Committee recommends working side by side with your facility to ensure a safer environment. A power outage is classified as a specific emergency.**

The following OP Risk Committee educational email blast went out in July 2019. It is a public safety announcement. Please review. **

OP Risk Committee Educational Email Blast #1

“Emergency Action Plan (EAP)”

In the case of an emergency, it is important that everyone know when and how to respond. In order to be effective, coaches, club leadership, Referees, Meet Director, safety marshals and club safety coordinators must be familiar and prepared to act accordingly.

In situations where a club utilizes facilities that it does not own or control, it is essential that the club acknowledge existing plans and develop actions in concert with these plans. It is helpful to include representatives from the facility as part of the developing emergency action procedures related to the club’s use of the facility. It is important to note facility contacts that must be notified for emergencies.

The OP Risk Committee recommends all clubs embrace the EAP of your training locations.

The OP Risk Committee recommends all host teams of any SCS approved meet to endorse and educate the volunteer staff of the facilities EAP.

The OP Risk Committee recommends Meet Referees of SCS approved meets to seek, support and fully understand the facilities EAP. The Meet Referees can assign key meet personnel to assist on the communication of the EAP to the operational staff meet including volunteers and coaches.

The Op Risk Committee will be willing to assist on the above recommendations. Reach out to George Young for more information at gyinstitute@hotmail.com