

Notice of Service Disruption

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The Accessible Customer Service policy 01-29-01 states that it is the practice of Girl Guides of Canada – Guides du Canada to provide notice of service disruptions when any facility or part of a facility is temporarily unavailable or is expected to be temporarily unavailable in the near future.

Objective

The objectives of this procedure are to:

- Outline how a notice of disruption will be communicated and what information must be included
- Describe the process of providing notice of an expected, planned service disruption
- Detail the process of providing notice of an unexpected, unplanned service disruption



Procedures

Meeting Spaces

Responsibilities of the Unit Guider

At the beginning of the Guiding year:

- Contact the meeting facility's office staff (by phone or in person) before the first unit meeting to establish how you will be notified about a disruption of service and where notification will be posted.
- Provide the facility with emergency contact numbers for the leaders.
- Ask the facility for an emergency contact number in case problems arise during a unit meeting
- Develop a communication plan to inform parents/girls of disruption to service. Include how they can expect to learn of planned and unplanned service disruptions. (see Service Disruption Notice Communication)

If informed of a disruption of service:

• Notify parents of service disruption as soon as possible.

If you meet in a school please note that weather-related School Board closures are frequently reported on local radio and television stations and on school board websites. Before visiting any facility on a Unit outing you should contact them directly to find out if there are any disruptions of service and inform parents as necessary.

If you need to post the details of a service disruption use the Notice of Service Disruption form (see Appendix) and include the following information:

- Type of disruption
- Reason for disruption
- Anticipated duration of disruption
- Description of alternate facilities, if any
- Contact information

Disruptions affecting GGC property

For each GGC property an individual will be identified as the contact person for the facility. This individual or their designate will be responsible for providing notice of service disruptions to their customers as outlined below.

Notice of Temporary Disruption

A notice of temporary disruption will be placed on the door at all public entrances of GGC premises. The notice may also be on the location voice messaging service.

A Notice of Disruption must include the following information:

- Type of disruption
- Reason for disruption



- Anticipated duration of disruption
- Description of alternate facilities, if any
- Contact information

Planned Service Disruptions

It is possible that from time to time there will be disruptions in service such as an elevator under repair, renovations that limit access to an area or technology that is temporarily unavailable. If the disruption in service is planned or expected GGC will provide reasonable notice in advance, as follows.

The property contact person (or her designate) is responsible in such circumstances for:

- Drafting appropriate communication to affected users
- Preparing the 'Notice of Temporary Service Disruptions'
- Contacting the appropriate staff person to distribute the communication, include the information on the voice messaging service and post the notice

Unplanned Service Disruptions

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It is the duty of the Custodian, or equivalent, responsible for the facility to communicate any disruption of service to the property contact person (or her designate) who will be responsible for:

- Providing appropriate communication by e-mail and phone to affected users
- Preparing the 'Notice of Temporary Service Disruption' and designating an individual responsible for posting it at the site.

Offices

The designated staff person from each location is responsible for contacting her Manager to communicate any unplanned disruption of service. Following the Manager's directions, the staff person will communicate with others using or scheduled to use the facility, include the information on the voice messaging service, and post a 'Notice of Temporary Service Disruption' at the site.

Appendix:

Service Disruption general communication to parents (sample)

From time to time, temporary service disruptions may be experienced at our meeting place due to reasons beyond our control or knowledge. In the event of a planned or unexpected disruption to services or facilities, *Unit Leader Name on behalf of the Unit name* will make reasonable effort to notify participants promptly, recognizing that in the case of unplanned temporary distruptions advance notice may not be possible. This clearly posted notice will include information about the reason for the disruption, its anticipated length of time, and a description of alternative facilities or services, if available.

The notice will be placed at ______ (location to be determined by the facility). The steps to be taken in connection with a temporary disruption of service will be available at the location.





NOTICE OF TEMPORARY SERVICE DISRUPTION

Which service is disrupted? E.g. meeting cancelled, access limited, technology unavailable:

Service has been disrupted because:

Service is expected to resume:

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Posted by:

Posted on:

For additional information please contact:



