

WAC 296-824-50030 Provide rescue and medical assistance. (1)

You must provide stand-by employees equipped with the same level of personal protective equipment (PPE) as the entrants, for assistance or rescue.

- Note:**
1. The buddy system applies to stand-by employees (see WAC 296-824-50025).
 2. One of the two stand-by employees can be assigned to another task provided it does not interfere with the performance of the stand-by role.
 3. Rescue equipment should be selected and provided based on the types of rescue situations that could occur.

(2) You must make sure employees trained in first aid are readily available with necessary medical equipment and have a way to transport the injured.

- Note:**
1. Employee training is covered by WAC 296-800-150, first aid. This rule requires training on basic first aid and any subjects that are specific to your workplace emergency hazards (for example: If exposure to corrosive substances could occur, training would need to include first-aid procedures for treating chemical burns).
 2. Employers who designate and train their employees to provide first aid are covered by chapter 296-823 WAC, Occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens.

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