



SHELTER-IN-PLACE

When the siren sounds

- ▶ Seek shelter
- ▶ Shut doors and windows
- ▶ Turn off A/C or heaters
- ▶ Turn on cable television
- ▶ Avoid unnecessary use of telephone

Wait until you get word of an "all clear" before going back outside.

East Side Drill

As part of its mission, I-CAER and Iberville LEPC members held a field exercise/drill on the east bank on December 14, 2017. Chris Markerson with Eastman coordinated the drill committee. *"I-CAER (Iberville Community Awareness Emergency Response) is an organization of Iberville industry companies and the Iberville Emergency Preparedness Office that works to keep Iberville residents safe by maintaining a comprehensive emergency plan and emphasizing safety in company operations."*



The drill scenario involved a pipeline link near Eastman and Syngenta. The goal of the drill was to test emergency response in the first 30 minutes. The drill began with incoming calls to 9-1-1 from residents downwind of the leak. During this drill, communications were between and among citizens, 9-1-1 responders and plants and industry. The Fire Department was dispatched with the Police and Sheriff Departments. Next, they contacted industry. The drill showed how well police, fire and dispatch identified the impact area and set up road blocks. The biggest lessons learned were regarding communications processes and details on communication about the specific chemical.

In 2018 the group will hold additional training and further improve response in the first hour and expand to include other agencies, such as DEQ and State Police.

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An Excerpt from the Fall 2017 edition of *The Alliance Louisiana Chemical Industry Alliance*

Olin Corporation Louisiana Operations – Striving for Excellence

Olin stands out as a chemical leader in Louisiana. Following its 2015 acquisition of Dow Chemical Company's U.S. Gulf Coast chlor-alkali and vinyl, global chlorinated organics, and global epoxy businesses, the new Olin became the world's largest chlor-alkali producer. With deep roots in Louisiana that date back more than 60 years, Olin is focused on delivering innovative products, while operating safely and investing in the community.

Olin operated three facilities in Plaquemine, St. Gabriel, and Grand Bayou – each contributing to a different piece of the chlorine and chlorinated products business. The Plaquemine facility is the home of the world's single largest chlorine facility. The St. Gabriel facility recently completed a large modernization project and was re-certified as an Occupational Safety & Health Administration Voluntary Protection Program

(VPP) Star site. VPP recognizes employers and workers who have implemented effective safety and health management systems and maintain injury and illness rates below national Bureau of Labor Statistics averages for their industries.

Combined, Olin's Louisiana operations employ approximately 500 Olin employees and contractors and produce over 6 billion pounds of products per year. The products play an important role in the global economy and contribute to the manufacture of disinfectants, cleaners, building materials, coatings, and refrigerants.

Steve Ledoux, a Louisiana native, leads Olin's Louisiana operations. Ledoux said, "The products from our Louisiana plants make our lives better by fighting diseases, protecting and strengthening our homes, cars, and industrial equipment. That is something all

our employees can get behind and be very proud of as Olin as taken on its new leadership role in the global chemicals industry."

A key component to the company's success is the "Olin Way," which is shorthand for every team member's commitment to continuous improvement in all areas, from process management to safety.

Ledoux said, "We share best practices and look for ways to do things better and smarter."

Olin is committed to Louisiana and shows this commitment by making big investments. Over \$50 million in plant upgrades and new facilities are planned over the next three years.

At Olin, Safety is Job #1 and Ledoux states that safety is always top priority. "We start every day with safety reminders from our leaders to their teams. Our goal is zero safety incidents, and our team members work hard every day to ensure that everyone goes home safely at the end of the day," explains Ledoux. Olin was the 2016 recipient of the Louisiana Chemical Association's Class 2 (101 – 200 employees) Best in Louisiana SAFE Award.

Olin is dedicated to supporting the local community and contributes more than \$50,000 annually, participating in activities such as Capital Area United Way.

With Olin's strong commitment to innovation, economic investments and the community, Ledoux says he is optimistic about the company's future in Louisiana. "We're striving for excellence in everything we do, now and into the future."

Hurricane Information & Preparation From Emergency Guide

In addition to pages 14 – 17 that share Hurricane information, other pages in the Emergency Guide that may also be useful during hurricane preparation include:

- Page 8 – ***Family Emergency Disaster Plan with instruction on how to create an emergency plan***
- Page 9 – ***Pet Emergency Planning***
- Page 11 – ***Thunderstorms and Lightning and Tornado Safety as you may experience this during a hurricane***
- Page 12 – ***If the Electricity Goes Off and Food Supplies***
- Page 13 – ***Flash Floods and Flood***

Please review your Emergency Guide soon to be familiar with all the planning and preparation tips.

The Emergency Guide is available online at <http://icaer.wpengine.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Emergency-Preparedness-brochure.pdf>.

Visit <http://i-caer.org/hurricane-info-preparation/> and read the dedicated Hurricane Info and Preparation information, including a section for children.



Hurricanes
The Greatest Storms on Earth

What is a Hurricane?
A hurricane is a type of tropical cyclone, which is a generic term for a low-pressure system that generally forms in the tropics. The cyclone is accompanied by thunderstorms and, in the Northern Hemisphere, a counterclockwise circulation of winds near the earth's surface. Tropical cyclones are classified as follows:

Tropical Depression
An organized system of clouds and thunderstorms with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds (defined as a 1-minute average wind measured at about 33 ft above the surface) of 38 mph or less

Tropical Storm
An organized system of strong thunderstorms with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 39-73

Hurricane
An intense tropical weather system of thunderstorms with a well-defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 74 mph or higher. Hurricanes are categorized according to the strength of their winds on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale (<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/aboutsshws> for more information). A Category 1 storm

the lowest wind speeds, while a Category 5 hurricane has the strongest. These are relative terms, because lower category storms can sometimes inflict greater damage than higher category storms, depending on where they strike and the particular hazards they bring. In fact, tropical storms can also produce significant damage and loss of life, mainly due to flooding.

Hurricane Categories

Category 1	Winds 74-95 mph
Category 2	Winds 96-110 mph
Category 3	Winds 111-130 mph
Category 4	Winds 131-155 mph
Category 5	Winds 156 or greater

Each year, an average of ten tropical storms develop over the Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, and Gulf of Mexico. Many of these storms are hurricanes and never reach the United States. In an average year, about 50 hurricanes form in the Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, and Gulf of Mexico. Only about 10 of these storms are hurricanes and never reach the United States. In an average year, about 50 hurricanes form in the Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, and Gulf of Mexico. Only about 10 of these storms are hurricanes and never reach the United States.



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The Importance of Completing a Job Application



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO DO A JOB APPLICATION?

The best way to understand how important application forms are is to look at the selection process from the point of view of the employer. Many employers prefer application forms than CVs as forms are easier to compare because they follow an identical format.

The primary purpose of an application form is to pre-screen job applicants. Contact information, employment history, educational background and references are standard pieces of information communicated from applicant to employer on job application forms.

Just because you've prepared a perfect resume and cover letter, don't think you can forget about knowing how to fill out a job application. Remember, everything you turn in at the interview is representative of you and what you can do. You may have a fantastic resume and a beautiful cover letter, but still need to know how to fill out a flawless job application if you really want the job.

A quality job application could make the difference between whether or not you even get to the interview stage. Be sure the completed job application presents you in the best light possible. Don't let a poorly filled out application ruin your chances for the job.

The final copy you submit to the prospective employer must be absolutely perfect. We suggest starting with a rough draft where you can correct mistakes before transferring the information onto the final copy. You won't have this option, however, if you're filling out the application at the interview, so be certain your application is free of errors.

13 things to remember when filling out a job application.

1. Read instructions carefully.

Before filling out the application, be sure to read it over thoroughly! Job applications have many similarities, but may also differ in form and content depending on the needs of the particular company. If you don't fill out the application correctly, how can the company trust you will do your job properly?

2. Neatness counts!

A wrinkled or folded job application with ink smears will shout of sloppiness in work habits and leave a bad impression of the applicant. Make sure all written work is clean and legible. Type or print the information neatly in black ink.

3. Submit complete and accurate information.

Accuracy is important. Dates, names, addresses, previous supervisors, references, phone numbers and any other required information should be complete and correct. Have a fact sheet with you at the interview to remind you of details. A perspective employer wants to know you will be a stickler for accuracy and detail.

4. Address gaps in employment.

Be proactive and have your application address gaps in your employment history dates before you are asked. It will come up in the interview and writing it down on the application shows you want to be upfront with everything.

5. Don't leave blank spaces.

Blank spaces can lead to the assumption that you forgot to fill in those areas. If a section does not apply to you, simply write in "does not apply" or "not applicable."

6. Be honest and positive.

Being caught in a lie will almost guarantee not being hired. Applications usually ask the reason for leaving previous employment. Even if you were fired from a job, try to find wording that is honest, yet doesn't appear negative.

7. Tailor your answers to the job.

Whether it is previous on-the-job experience, volunteer work, or hobbies, make a point of having the application reflect your expertise and interest in the area for which you are applying. If, for example, you are applying for a position involving customer service, include volunteer or work where you interacted with people.

8. Salary

It's usually advisable to write in "negotiable" or "open" in the space for "desired salary," instead of writing in an amount that may be too high or too low. If they are interested in hiring you, an agreeable salary can be negotiated later.

9. List of references

You will be asked to provide a list of personal or professional references on the application. Be prepared with a list of names, addresses and phone numbers of references in each category and have their prior permission to be listed. They should not be relatives. Select references who you know will be positive about your attributes and accomplishments.

10. Write carefully.

Employers read the written responses to their short answer and essay questions very carefully. What you write really tells a lot about you. It shows your ability to follow directions, professional demeanor, how literate you are, and more. Be especially careful when completing this portion of the application.

11. What position are you applying for?

Be specific. You may even include more than one position. Writing in "any" is vague and may get you a job offer for a position in which you have no interest.

12. Proofread it!

It is important to have someone else proofread your completed job application. Entrust the job of proofreading to one or more people you can depend on to catch errors in spelling, punctuation, grammar, and following directions. If you fill out the application at the interview, then it will be up to you to review it carefully for errors.

13. Remember to sign the application?

Believe it or not some people, in the haste of filling out the application, forget to sign it. The signature confirms that you agree to the company's policies for employment. No matter how well you've filled out the application, a lack of your dated signature is sure to red flag the application. An unsigned application may indicate to a prospective employer a tendency to be careless toward important details.

The most important thing to keep in mind is...

When you leave an interview, the job application remains in your folder as a lasting impression of you and what you can do. A quality job application requires hard work and attention to detail, but it all pays off in the end when the phone rings with the call that you got the job!

www.sheknows.com/living/articles/808649/filling-out-a-job-application

Look for the next article in the series in our Fall newsletter edition: 10 Job Interview Tips.



Reminder: FREE Smoke Detectors and Installation

In an effort to reduce fire-related deaths and injuries, the Louisiana State Fire Marshal's office launched a program which offers a free smoke detector to any homeowner who does not have one. American Red Cross, your local Fire Department, Iberville Department of Emergency Preparedness, as well as I-CAER and LEPC members support this program and strongly recommend residents have a working smoke detector. If you do not have a smoke detector and would like a free one, simply call your local fire department or the Emergency Operations Center at (225) 687-5140. A fireman or Red Cross representative will deliver it to your home and install it for you.



SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS TODAY!

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