

In Case of Emergency

EMERGENCY PROTOCOL FOR DIAMOND ISLAND

If someone is unresponsive, is having difficulty breathing, chest pain, or has suffered a trauma:

1. CALL 911
2. SEND SOMEONE FOR THE AED AND THE OXYGEN. *
- SEND SOMEONE ELSE FOR THE BARGE. **
3. START CPR IF APPROPRIATE.

IF THE EMERGENCY IS AFTER NORMAL BARGE HOURS – Below is a list of people who are willing to be reached in the middle of the night to get the barge to the mainland for an ambulance.

The following people should only be called “after” 911 has been called:

Phil Bottger 630-404-7895

Dick Buck..... 574-298-0989

Gary Nolte..... 574.274.8868

Bob Price 269-720-8924

* Both the AED and Oxygen are on the back of the road-side of a green shed at Koranda’s cottage #7. If the person is unresponsive the AED is very easy for anyone to use. Open the unit and follow audible instructions.

As for the oxygen unit, if someone is having difficulty breathing or has chest pain, put the oxygen mask on, and set the dial to “NORM”. IF the victim is not breathing, put the mask on with the dial on “HIGH”, and blow air thru the top access on the mask to push air into the victim along with the oxygen. Please note the oxygen unit is not to be used for a chronic user as a back- up oxygen source. This is reserved for life threatening emergency only.

** Inform the barge operator, if he/she is at the island landing, to go immediately to the mainland landing and wait for the ambulance. If the barge is in transit in either direction, obtain the air horn that is inside the barge shed, and blow it 3 times. This will notify the barge operator that there is an emergency and he/she is to go to the mainland. The operator has been instructed that no cars should be loaded onto the barge for the trip to get the ambulance. Also, the barge must wait on the island for the return trip for the ambulance, and no one can be allowed on the barge until the ambulance has left the island.