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#### I. POLICY

It is the policy of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) to assure that the security and access of the GOHSEP facility during normal operations and the activation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is conducted in a systematic approach which assures for the security, safety and welfare of the occupants and the facility and provides for the overall efficiency of operations conducted during normal operations and in response to an emergency/disaster.

# II. PURPOSE

To set forth those procedures, which support security and access of the GOHSEP facility during normal operations and during the activation of the EOC.

# **III. DEFINITIONS**

- A. Normal Operations Normal Operations is defined as day-to-day operations, non-emergency activation.
- B. Emergency Activation Emergency Activation is defined as any occasion or instance for which, in the determination of the President and/or Governor, Federal assistance is needed to supplement State and local efforts and capabilities, to save lives, to mitigate/protect property, public health and safety, or to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in any part of the United States.
- C. Normal Hours Normal Hours is defined as Monday Friday; 7:30 am 4:00 pm.
- D. After Hours Monday Friday, 4:00 pm 7:30 am, and Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

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E. Employee - Any person employed by GOHSEP or State of Louisiana.

- F. Contractor Any person that is contracted either directly or through their employer by GOHSEP to provide services to the agency for a period extending beyond one day.
- G. Visitor Any person not employed by GOHSEP or those State of Louisiana employees who are not assigned to work at GOHSEP.

#### IV. APPLICABILITY

This policy applies to all individuals who are assigned to the GOHSEP facility during normal operations and all time the EOC is activated in response to an emergency/disaster.

# V. GENERAL RULES

- A. The GOHSEP representative from the Facility Management Section shall require the GOHSEP Security Badge Request Form for all new GOHSEP Badge creations. Standard access level for all new badges are:
  - GOHSEP Internal Lobby Doors during Normal Hours
  - GOHSEP Exterior Doors during Normal Hours

If a GOHSEP Badge needs additional access levels, then a supervisor for the employee shall email the request to the Facility Section Chief. See attached GOHSEP Security Badge Request Form.

- B. GOHSEP identification badges held by non-GOHSEP personnel are deactivated upon notification of separation. Badge holders are requested to surrender their badges to the GOHSEP receptionist no later than the last day of work.
  - This provision shall not apply to the governor's staff, department/agency heads, ESF leads and the parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Directors (OHSEP Directors). These individuals shall retain their current GOHSEP identification cards and may be issued additional identification cards as outlined in Section V. herein, in accordance with their assignment during EOC activation.
- C. Personnel assigned to the GOHSEP during activation will be required, to be issued a badge for the event.
- D. All badges must be visibly displayed above the waist while personnel are in the facility.
- E. Personnel assigned to the GOHSEP are required to report any suspected or actual violation of this policy or of any unsafe act to a GOHSEP employee or Department of Public Safety officer assigned to the facility.
- F. Personnel assigned to or visiting the GOHSEP are required to follow the orders and directives of the Facility Section Chief and the Department of Public Safety officers assigned to the facility as those directions pertain to facility accessibility and security.
- G. Badges issued to incident participants will be used at the cafeteria as a means to obtain meals during activation. Participants are not allowed more

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than three meals per 24 hours. The participant's respective agency will be billed for the meals consumed.

# **VI. BADGES AND ACCESS**

# A. Blue badge

- a. Issued to all GOHSEP employees
- b. Blue badge holders will have access to internal lobby doors and external doors during normal hours.

# B. Red badge

- a. Issued to members of the Unified Command Group (UCG) and to the support staff members of the UCG member that is allowed a seat in the Overwatch during activation. It will be the responsibility of the UCG member to assign badges to their respective staff member(s).
- b. Red badge holders will have access to all areas of the GOHSEP during activation.

# C. Yellow badge

- a. Assigned to other support staff members other than those assigned to the UCG or the EOC but require access to the peripheral offices within the GOHSEP.
- b. Badge holders will have access to other areas in the GOHSEP.

### D. Visitor's badge

- a. All visitors are to sign in at the front desk.
- b. Visitors badge will be assigned to all other non-GOHSEP employees who have a need to be present at the GOHSEP during normal operations or an activation.
- c. Visitors must be escorted by the GOHSEP employee who they are visiting or who has been assigned responsibility for the visitor during normal hours or an activation.

#### VII. ISSUANCE AND SURRENDER OF BADGES

- A. Blue badges will be issued upon new employee orientation and will be assigned the Normal Hours access by the GOHSEP Facility Section Chief.
- B. Red badges will be issued to UCG members as soon as possible. The member will be allowed to retain the permanent custody of this badge and use it to access the facility at any time.
- C. All ESF agencies will provide the GOHSEP Facility Section Chief with a list of names for those personnel that will be assigned to the agencies ESF desk inside the EOC and a list of the individuals who will need access to the outside offices.
- D. Upon activation of the EOC, the Facility Section Chief will issue yellow badges to the personnel listed on the access roster at the time the personnel report for duty at the GOHSEP.

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E. Upon notice of deactivation of the EOC, all UCG support staff red badge holders and yellow badge holders shall surrender their badges to the GOHSEP Facility Section Chief within 24 hours of the notice of deactivation.

- F. Steps B through D shall be followed for every activation/deactivation of the EOC.
- G. Upon leaving employment of GOHSEP, the Blue badge holder must surrender their badge to the GOHSEP Facility Section Chief to deactivate and destroy.

#### **VIII. PROCEDURES IN THE EOC DURING ACTIVATION**

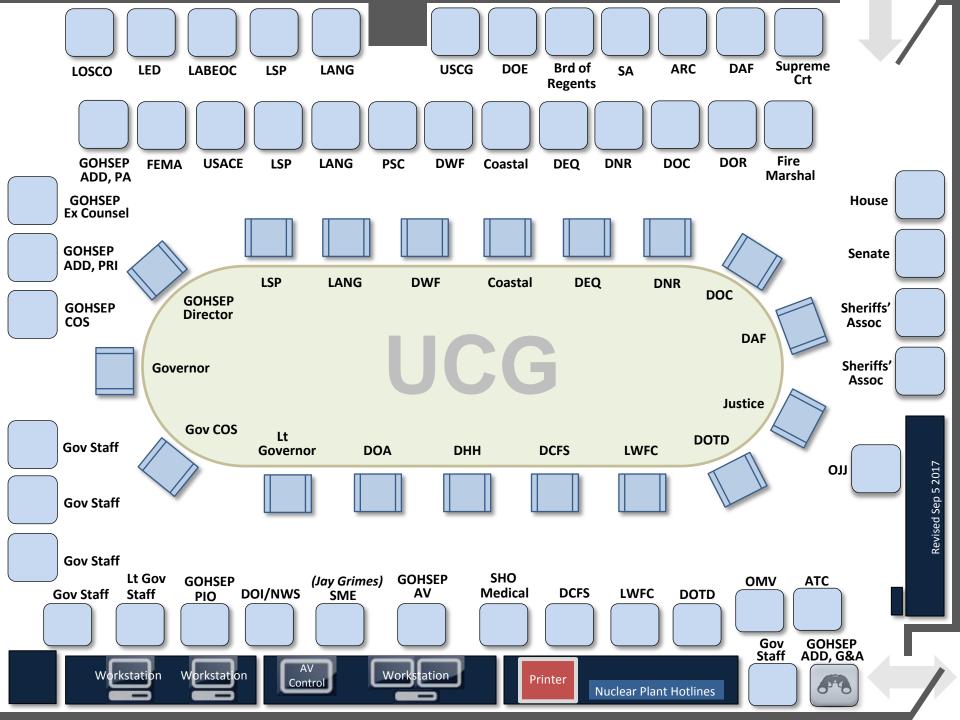
- A. The number of personnel allowed for each ESF inside the EOC shall be limited to the actual number of seats available at the ESF desk per shift.
- B. Unless specifically authorized by the Director of the GOHSEP or his designee, no individual will be allowed in the EOC without a red or green badge. Those individuals so allowed shall conduct their business as quickly as possible and exit the area.

#### IX. PROCEDURES IN THE EOC DURING ACTIVATION

- A. Only those individuals possessing a red badge will be allowed access to the Overwatch during UCG meetings.
- B. Exception to the above: On occasion, there will be a need to augment the UCG with subject matter experts, i.e. medical, weather, and logistical. Those augmented individuals will be identified either by the Director of the GOHSEP or his designee and will be issued a visitors badge and escorted by the Overwatch Manager or Facility Section Chief for that particular meeting in the Overwatch.
- C. Attached is a seating chart, which indicates the seating arrangements for those UCG members and staff, which are allowed in the Overwatch during UCG meetings. The seats will be clearly marked during meetings and it is requested that each member adhere to the defined seating arrangement.

#### X. QUESTIONS

All questions regarding this policy should be directed to the Facility Section Chief at (225) 925-7424.



# Governor's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness SECURITY BADGE REQUEST FORM

2/100 ★ SS <sup>3</sup>	Request Type:	New Badge Replacement Badge	
Recipient Information			
Last Name:	First Name:	Surname:	
Organizational Title:	Drivers Lic: #	State:	
Home Phone: ( )	Cell Phone: ( )		
Work Phone: ( )	Email:		
Access Justification:			
Recipient Organizational Information			
Organizational Type:			
State Governmental Local Governme Volunteer Organization Vendor/Contract		al Governmental	
Organization:	Organizational POC:		
POC Title:	POC Phone: ( )		
Email:			
Comments:			
I understand and agree that I am responsible for the seculagree that I will notify GOHSEP if the issued badge/cred I agree that I will return the related badge/credentials up	entials are lost or stolen, or if my organ	izational job responsibilities change.	
Recipient Signature:	Da	ate	

#### GOHSEP OFFICIAL USE ONLY

#### **Access Control Authorization**

Access Control Authorization			
Authorized Access Levels			
	YES NO		YES NO
ID Badge - No Access		GOHSEP Internal – Communications Room	
GOHSEP Internal Lobby Doors		LANG Internal - TAC	
GOHSEP Exterior Door Access (Front/Back)		State Police EOC Lobby Door	
GOHSEP Internal - EOC		GOHSEP Logistics EOC - OMV Exterior Doors	
Unified Command Badge			
Access Expiration Date (If applicable):			
COUSED leaving Officer Name		Data	
GOHSEP Issuing Officer Name:		Date	
GOHSEP Security Officer Signature:		Date	