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In the event of a chemical incident at home, citizens should do the following:

- Get out immediately if there is a fire or explosion. Call the fire department. Do not fight the fire alone!
- Avoid breathing toxic fumes. Stay away from the house.
- Wash any chemicals off your skin immediately.
- Discard contaminated clothing.
- If needed, call the poison control center at (800) 222-1222.

In the event of an industrial / transportation chemical accident, citizens should do the following:

- Stay out of the area.
- If near the area, don't panic. Follow the directions of those in charge.
- Leave instantly to avoid breathing the toxic fumes.
- Wash any chemicals off your skin. Discard contaminated clothing.
- Don't attempt to rescue someone who has been overcome by fumes unless you have proper respiratory equipment.
- Stay tuned to radio and television for directions from public officials.
- If directed to evacuate, move quickly via designated routes, out of the area or to specified shelters.
- If directed to shelter-in-place, stay indoors, seal windows and doors with tape, newspapers, plastic, or other similar material. Shut off any appliances, air-conditioners, etc. that take in air from the outside. Remain calm and await further direction.