



Roding Valley
HIGH SCHOOL

Exams Emergency Evacuation Procedure

2023-2024

This Policy is review annually to ensure compliance with current regulations.

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In the event of an emergency evacuation of an exams room for events such as:

- Fire/Fire alarm
- Bomb alert
- Any other emergency which requires an evacuation of an exams room

Invigilators at Roding Valley High School have been informed that they must take the following action (in accordance with JCQ [Instructions for conducting examinations](#) (ICE) regulation 18: Emergencies):

1. Stop the candidates from writing. The time will be noted.
2. Collect the attendance register (in order to ensure all candidates are present).
3. Advise students to leave all question papers and scripts in the examination room.
4. Evacuate the examination room in line with the instructions given by the appropriate authority and advise students to make their way to the area they line up in before they enter an exam.
5. Inform candidates they must leave the room in silence, under full examination conditions.
6. Supervise candidates as closely as possible while they are out of the examination room to make sure there is no discussion about the examination.
7. When instructed, supervise the return of candidates to the exam room.
8. Make a note of the time of the interruption and how long it lasted.
9. Allow the candidates the full working time set for the examination.
10. Make notes of the incident to enable the exams officer to produce a full report of the incident and of the action taken to be forwarded to the relevant awarding body.

In addition to the actions required by JCQ ICE regulation 18 above, invigilators are also informed of the following centre-specific actions or information:

1. The exam room must be evacuated by the nearest fire exit
2. Candidates must be escorted to the assembly point
3. On returning to the exam room allow candidates time to settle down, reminding them they are still under exam conditions
4. Restart the exam and allow candidates the full working time set for the examination
5. Make relevant changes to the displayed finish time
6. All information regarding the evacuation must be recorded on the exam room incident log