



Zankel Hall Fire Safety Information 525 W 120th Street NY NY 10027

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- Built in 1902 - 4 story + Basement Non-Combustible/Fireproof construction
- Most important - if you see OR suspect fire IMMEDIATELY activate the building's fire alarms AND call 911 once you have safely evacuated
- Zankel has an interior automatic and manual fire alarm system
 - Automatic - smoke detectors throughout the building
 - Manual - Manual pull stations located at or near the doors to the stair which wraps around the elevator and at horizontal exits into adjoining buildings
 - Zankel has single action manual pull stations. Pull down the lever, break the glass rod to activate the fire alarms. Activating a manual pull station will sound the alarms in the building, notify Public Safety and summon the FDNY.
 - Smoke detector or pull station activation will sound the alarms throughout the building. Upon hearing any fire alarm exit the building immediately. **DELAY is the biggest threat when confronted with a fire.**
- Zankel has multiple means of egress
 - Vertical evacuation via stairs
 - Main stairway - Serves all floors. Exit stair on 1st floor and proceed out the main entrance onto 120th street.
 - Once you have exited onto 120th street please move away from the front entrance so you do not impede building access by firefighters.
 - Horizontal evacuation - Other than using the main center stairs to exit onto 120th street you may also, or may be directed to, exit your floor into those buildings adjacent to Zankel.
 - Zankel 4th Floor
 - West into Thompson Hall
 - Southwest into Macy or 528 stairs
 - Southeast into Grace Dodge stairs
 - Zankel 3rd floor
 - West into Thompson Hall
 - Southeast into Grace Dodge stairs
 - Zankel 2nd floor
 - West into Thompson Hall
 - Southwest into Macy stairs

- Southeast into Grace Dodge stairs.
- Zankel 1st floor
 - West out into breezeway
 - Southwest into Macy or 528 stairs
 - Southeast into Grace Dodge
- Zankel Ground floor/Basement
 - West through Thompson into Horace Mann
 - Southwest into 528 stairs
 - Southeast into Grace Dodge
 - West into Russell
- Never use an elevator to evacuate any building during a fire or fire alarm activation
- Persons with mobility issues - Anyone who can not use the stairs to evacuate due to physical limitations/mobility issues can be aided by coworkers or Public Safety officers utilizing horizontal evacuation routes into adjacent buildings or they may seek refuge in the main stair elevator lobby until they can be assisted by OPS officers or FDNY.
- Self closing doors - no building fire safety feature better controls the spread of fire or smoke like a closed door. Unless specifically designed to remain open all doors to stairways and adjoining buildings should be closed at all times. If you see a door chocked open or failing to close properly please report to Facilities, ORS or EHS as soon as possible
- Acronyms to remember
 - R.A.C.E.
 - R - Rescue of self and others
 - A - Activate fire alarms
 - C - Confine fire/smoke by closing all doors when evacuating
 - E - Extinguish small fires if safe to do so OR Evacuate immediately.
 - P.A.S.S.
 - P - Pull pin of fire extinguisher
 - A - Aim nozzle at the base of fire
 - S - Squeeze handle to stream contents
 - S - Sweep at the base of fire side to side

