



Little Egypt Network 618-529-1525

Get a kit



Make a plan



Be informed



Planning ahead and following the rules set forth by the Shawnee National Forest is a great way to prevent injury. However, if an emergency situation should arise...

- 1.) Stay Calm.
- 2.) Identify if it's a life threatening or non-life threatening situation. (Call for help or find the nearest hospital, sheriff's department, etc.)
- 3.) React to the situation in an appropriate, common sense manner.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact any of our Shawnee National Forest offices below:

Supervisor's Office
 50 Highway 145 South
 Harrisburg, IL 62946
 800-699-6637 OR 618-253-7114

Hidden Springs Ranger District
 602 N. First St.
 Vienna, IL 62995
 618-658-2111

Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District
 521 N. Main St.
 Jonesboro, IL 62952
 618-833-8576

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION



Do you know what to do in an emergency? This brochure offers emergency contact phone numbers as well as basic First Aid information. Please take this opportunity (prior to your recreational event) and read the information provided. And remember...
SAFETY FIRST!



The Shawnee National Forest takes great pride in maintaining our forests to ensure the safety of all our visitors. We have identified potential risks and hazards that may, unexpectedly, be encountered by Forest visitors. These risks include:

- Ice Storms
- Flooding
- Flash Flooding
- Tornadoes
- Strong Winds
- Wildfires
- Hazardous Trees
- Storms/Lightning
- Earthquakes
- Remoteness (Wilderness Areas)
- Gun-Hunting Seasons



Think about these risks and how you would react to each one. Especially if you are unfamiliar with the weather here in the Midwest, please keep in mind the conditions can change at any time.



Burden Falls

Prior to, and during your adventure into the Shawnee, it's always a great idea to:

- 1.) Let someone know where you are and what route(s) you plan to take.
- 2.) Check the local weather forecast.
- 3.) Review emergency phone numbers for the area(s) you plan to travel.
- 4.) Carry a GPS unit, compass & map.
- 5.) Carry basic first aid essentials.
- 6.) Carry rain gear & extra clothing.
- 7.) Check your cell phone service often. (Please Note: A good majority of the Shawnee National Forest has little or no cell phone service.)
- 8.) Depending on your recreational activity, ALWAYS BE PREPARED!

In the event of an emergency, call 911!

The following is a list of emergency phone numbers for areas throughout the Shawnee...

WEATHER

Paducah 270-744-6331
St. Louis 636-441-8467

HOSPITALS

Harrisburg Medical Center
618-253-7671
Heartland Regional Medical Center
(Marion) 618-997-5341
Western Baptist (Paducah)
270-575-2100
Lourdes (Paducah)
270-444-2444

Carbondale Memorial
618-549-0721
Massac Memorial (Metropolis)
618-524-2176
St. Francis (Cape Girardeau)
573-331-5110 or 573-331-3000
South East (Cape Girardeau)
573-334-4822
Union County (Anna)
618-833-4511
St. Joseph's (Murphysboro)
618-684-3156

STATE POLICE

Carmi 618-382-1911
DuQuoin 618-542-2400 or
618-542-2171
Ullin 618-845-3737 or 618-845-3740

LOCAL SHERIFF'S OFFICES

Alexander County 618-734-2141
Gallatin County 618-269-3137
Hardin County 618-287-2271
Jackson County 618-684-2177
Johnson County 618-658-8264
Massac County 618-524-2912
Pope County 618-683-4321
Pulaski County 618-748-9374
Randolph County 618-826-5484
Saline County 618-252-7813 or
618-252-8661
Union County 618-833-5500
Williamson County 618-993-2011