ACTIONS UPON RECEIVING AN EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

EMERGENCY LOCKDOWN
An emergency lockdown is primarily affiliated with a potential hostile threat aboard MCAS Cherry Point, such as an active shooter. Upon notification to “lockdown”, personnel and residents should:

- Move Indoors (If unable, find cover)
- Lock Exterior Doors and Windows
- Close Blinds
- Move away from Doors and Windows
- Wait for the “All Clear” or additional instructions.

If an active shooter is within your building, be prepared to “run, hide, or fight”.

FORCE PROTECTION CONDITION (FPCON) CHANGE
MCAS Cherry Point may increase the current security posture due to a local threat or based on a directive by U.S. Northern Command for all military installations. MNS will be used to announce the change and provide any amplifying information/instructions. Personnel should be aware of potential access changes in higher FPCONs.

DESTRUCTIVE WEATHER
If personnel are threatened by a destructive weather event, such as a tornado, flood, or hurricane, MNS will be used to disseminate real-time information in order to ensure life safety.
enterprise MASS NOTIFICATION (eMNS)

All personnel with a “usmc.mil” email account are currently registered within the eMNS in order to receive desktop pop-up messages and alerts through work telephone and email. However, it is highly recommended that personnel verify contact information and insert additional contact information in order to ensure notification wherever they may be.

How do I add or verify my contact information within the eMNS?

If you have the eMNS software on your computer (must have usmc.mil account), follow these instructions:

1. On your desktop, locate the “Purple Globe” within the Item Tray.
2. Left click and select “Access Self Service”.
3. If the “Purple Globe” does not work. Enter Self Service by going to the following link: https://alerts1.mcdsus.mcds.usmc.mil/SelfService/Profile/Edit
4. Choose “My Profile” and click “Edit”.
5. Review and modify all necessary contact information. If you enter a mobile phone, ensure that you re-enter the number within the “text messaging” block. Please disregard home and work address. These features are not utilized. When complete, select “Save”.
6. Last, within the block for “MCAS Cherry Point” click the hyperlink and verify your organization. This allows operators to target specific commands/agencies, if necessary. Select “Apply” when updated.

WHY IS NOTIFICATION IMPORTANT?

During an emergency, it is critical that personnel, dependents, and others aboard MCAS Cherry Point receive immediate notifications in order to take appropriate action. Whether it is an active shooter, hurricane, or other threat/hazard, it is crucial that personnel and dependents understand how they are notified and what actions to take.

HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED?

The primary means to disseminate emergency information at MCAS Cherry Point is by means of the following:

- CommStrat
- Giant Voice System (GVS)
- enterprise Mass Notification System (eMNS)
- Supported Command eMNS

COMMSTRAT

During an emergency, CommStrat will utilize all-hands emails, social media, and digital marquees to supplement mass notification systems.

GIANT VOICE SYSTEM

The Giant Voice System consists of speaker towers strategically placed outdoors and within select buildings within MCAS Cherry Point. During an emergency event, the voice of an operator will be heard providing notification and instructions.

ATHOC MOBILE NOTIFIER

1. Download the AtHoc Notifier for your iPhone or Android device.
2. Register and verify your personal email.
3. Enter org code: Cherry Point.mil