

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

Occupational health and safety (hereinafter referred to as OHS) is an integral part of the educational, scientific, research, development and other creative activities of Masaryk University (MU). One of the basic duties of MU and its managerial staff is to create a safe and health-safe working environment and working conditions. Taking into account the varying need for expertise on OSH at individual faculty departments, you will be informed about the regulations for ensuring OSH according to the specific conditions at these departments.

Every student has the right to:

- to understandable information about the risks involved in practical training and practice,
- what to do if any emergency or emergency situation occurs,
- not to perform any task without proper training,
- participate in OSH meetings and get involved by asking questions.

In particular, in order to protect your health and the health of others, as a student you are required to:

- Comply with the legal and other regulations and instructions of MU staff on OSH with which you have been duly acquainted,
- take care of your own safety and health to the best of your ability,
- follow the principles of safe behaviour at MU, especially in the common areas of the faculty,
- classrooms, laboratories, workshops, corridors, staircases, gyms, sports grounds, etc,
- use the prescribed personal protective equipment and protective devices at work and do not arbitrarily change or disable them,
- observe the information on the safety signs placed on the premises of the Faculty,
- not to consume alcoholic beverages or abuse other addictive substances at MU workplaces and not to enter MU workplaces under their influence,
- not to smoke in the Faculty premises, including outdoor areas located inside the Faculty premises,
- report to the relevant pedagogical supervisor deficiencies and defects that threaten or could immediately and seriously endanger OSH, in particular the imminent occurrence of an emergency or deficiencies in organisational measures, defects or malfunctions of technical equipment and protective systems designed to prevent them,
- report without delay to the relevant academic staff member any injury occurring in the course of or in direct connection with school duties,
- be tested for alcohol or other drugs when instructed by an academic member of staff,
- not to handle, switch on, switch off or operate any machinery, equipment or apparatus which has not been allocated to you as part of your course and the operation of which you are not familiar with.

Reference to the internal standard:

- [Rector's Directive No. 10/2009 Organization of occupational health and safety at MU](#)

INSTRUCTION TO ENSURE FIRE PROTECTION

In accordance with Act No. 133/1985 Coll. on Fire Protection, as amended, you are obliged to act at all times in such a way that your activities do not cause a fire, in particular:

- obey orders and prohibitions concerning fire protection in marked areas
- if you discover fire defects anywhere on the premises of the College or other campus facilities, report the defects to the educational supervisor or the appropriate building administration
- if a fire is observed, you must take the necessary measures to rescue persons at risk and to prevent its spread
- when fighting a fire, you are obliged to provide adequate personal assistance at the request of the commander of the intervention, unless you thereby expose yourself or persons close to you to serious danger or endangerment
- you are obliged to familiarise yourself with the emergency numbers or fire alarm directives (these are displayed in prominent places in the premises)
- when using portable fire extinguishers to extinguish a fire that is starting, you must use caution and always use the appropriate extinguisher for the burning substance
- in the event of a fire, remain calm and cool and leave the endangered area - the building - by the escape route as instructed.

It is forbidden:

- to carry out work which may lead to fire if you do not have the required qualifications to carry out such work
- damage, misuse or otherwise prevent the use of fire extinguishers or other fire protection equipment and fire safety devices
- smoke or handle open flames on College premises (except in designated areas).

Reference to the internal standard:

- [Rector's Directive No. 4/2005 Organization of fire safety at Masaryk University](#)