



Emergency protocols: Earthquakes

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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PROTOCOL: EARTHQUAKES

Because the potential for seismic activity exists in the area, the Office of International Programs (OPI) at Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ) would like to inform all of our international students and their sending universities/organizations of the following information.

Although we cannot predict when an earthquake will occur or the level of intensity if one occurs, the USFQ community has prepared an extensive emergency response protocol in the event of an earthquake. International students should read the following information thoroughly in order to know what steps to take before, during and after an earthquake.

Before an earthquake occurs:

- 1 **Familiarize with steps:** take during and after an earthquake, including the list of items you are advised to carry with you at all times, campus safe zones, and emergency response protocols.
- 2 **Familiarize with protocols in your accommodation:** know about potential risks associated with your accommodations and (if applicable) discuss any earthquake protocols and/or safe zones with your host family.
- 3 **Determine objects:** that may pose a danger to you in the event of an earthquake, such as windows, tables, lamps, hanging objects, etc., and, if possible, relocate or secure them.
- 4 **Essentials items:** keep the following items with you **at all times:** copies of your identification documents (e.g. passport); bottled water; and a list of emergency telephone numbers.

During an earthquake:

- 1) **Calm and follow instructions:** of your professor(s), campus security guards, police officers, or other persons of authority.
- 2) Depending on your location at the time of the earthquake, take the following precautions:
 - a. **Outside:** Get into an open area. Stay away from buildings, trees, streetlights, electric cables, and other structures that could be damaged and fall during the earthquake.
 - b. **Inside:** Do not run for the doors. Instead, seek shelter under a desk or table away from windows, light fixtures, bookshelves, exterior doors and walls, and other objects that present a risk of breaking or falling on you.
 - i. Make sure to hold on to the desk or table as it may shift during the earthquake. If you do not have access to a desk or table, cover your face and head with your hands and stay away from hazards such as windows or shelves.
 - c. **In a moving vehicle:** Stop the vehicle as soon as possible, avoiding stopping near or beneath buildings, trees, telephone poles, or electric wires.
 - i. Remain inside the vehicle until the earthquake passes and then proceed cautiously, checking the road conditions for damages. If you need to leave the vehicle, exercise caution near trees, electric wires, and other objects that may have been damaged during the earthquake and could pose a risk of falling on you.



Following an earthquake:

1. **Follow instructions:** Continue to remain calm and follow the instructions of your professor(s), campus security guards, police officers, or other persons of authority regarding where/how to proceed with evacuation as necessary.
2. **Trapped beneath debris:** do not try to light a fire. Try not to move, as this will stir up dust.
 - a. Cover your mouth and nose with a handkerchief or your clothing.
 - b. Tap on a pipe or wall so that rescue personnel can find you.
 - c. Use a whistle if you have one. Shout only as a last resort as the dust may affect you if you shout.
3. **Safe zone:** Otherwise, go to a safe zone.
 - a. If you are inside a building, leave the building and proceed to a secure area.
 - b. If you are on the main USFQ campus in Cumbayá, go to one of the designated safe zones.
 - c. Do not use any elevators.
4. **Check for injuries.** Do not try to move people who are seriously injured unless they are in immediate danger of death or further injury.
 - a. If you must move an unconscious person, first make sure to stabilize the person's neck and back. Then call for help immediately. Keep the injured person warm with blankets or clothing, but take care to ensure that they do not overheat.
 - b. Do not give any water or liquids to an unconscious person.
5. **Check in:** Once you have reached a safe location, check in with family, friends, and the USFQ Office of International Programs, if possible, to advise them of your location and your health status.
 - a. Keep in mind that cellular networks and internet access may be disrupted following the earthquake.
6. **Off Campus location:** Students who are not on campus during the earthquake should remain in a secure off-campus location and wait for an assessment from the USFQ Risk Management Committee regarding building safety.
 - a. An announcement will be made regarding when regular activities, including classes, will resume.

Additional important information:

- If the earthquake results in a loss of electricity, use only battery-powered flashlights or lanterns. Do not use candles or matches since there may be a gas leak.
- International students are also encouraged to visit OPI's office for further advice or assistance.
- Please familiarize yourself with the following information:



EMERGENCY RESPONSE NUMBERS:

Emergency number in Quito:

- 0980834444

Emergency number in the Galápagos:

- 0981308687

National Emergency Line:

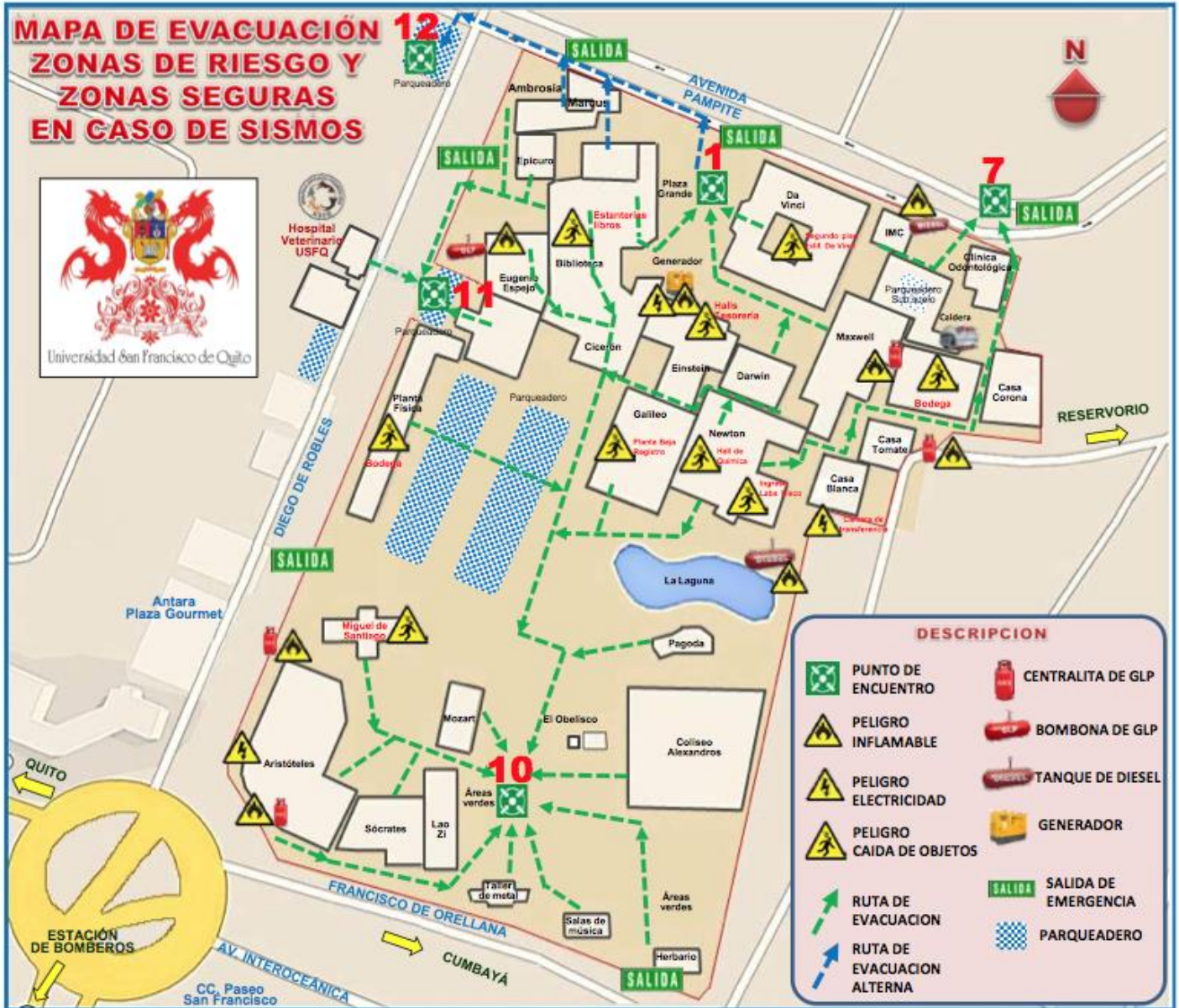
- 911



Evacuation Maps

EVACUATION MAP: USFQ CUMBAYA CAMPUS

RISK AREAS & SAFE ZONES



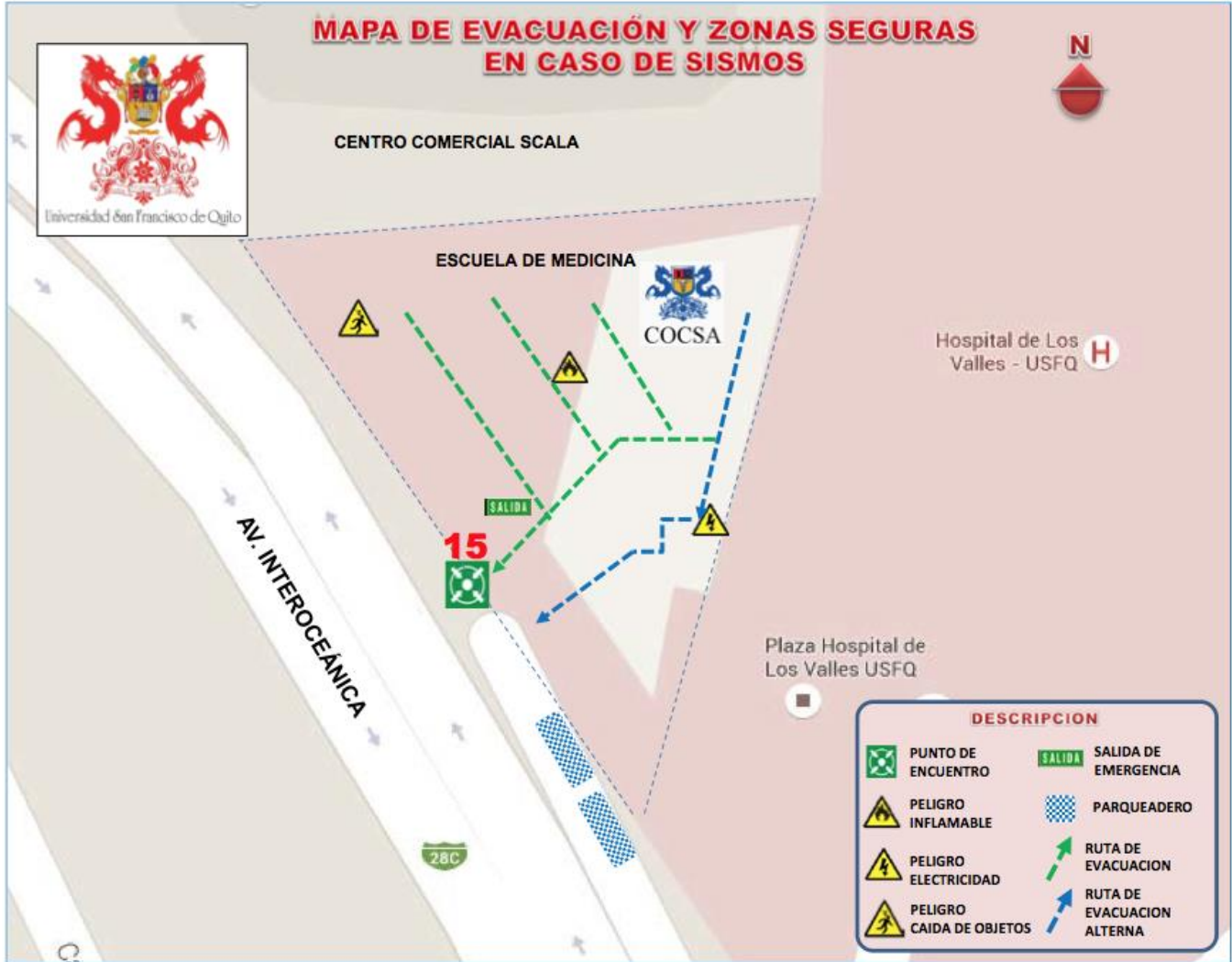


EVACUATION MAP: PASEO SAN FRANCISCO RISK AREAS & SAFE ZONES





EVACUATION MAP: *MEDICAL SCHOOL* RISK AREAS & SAFE ZONES





EVACUATION MAP: QUITO METROPOLITAN AREA

- RISK AREAS & SAFE ZONES

CONOCE Y RECONOCE TU SITIO SEGURO, HAY UNO CERCA DE TI

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1. **Parque Metropolitano del Sur**
(Sector de El Troje, Av. Simón Bolívar)
2. **Piazza Quitumbe**
(Av. Quitumbe s/n y Córdor Nan)
3. **Parque UTAG**
(Leonidas Duples E5B)
4. **Parque Nueva Aurora**
(Manuel Guamaní y Principal)
5. **Parque Ecológico Solanda**
(José Abarcas y J. Alemán)
6. **Parque Las Cuadras**
(Av. Rumichaca y Av. Morán Valverde)
7. **Parque Solanda S4**
(Calle Manuel Monteros y José Pontón)
8. **Liga Barrial Solanda**
(José Alemán y Ajaví)
9. **Parque Solanda S2**
(Calle Francisco Rueda y Simón Guerra)
10. **Parque Cardenal de la Torre**
(Av. Cardenal de la Torre, entre Ajaví y Tnte. Ortiz)
11. **Parque Combatientes del 41**
(Angamarca y Río Cristal)
12. **Complejo de Pelota Nacional**
(Calle Ecuador y Chugchilán)
13. **Parque Batallón Chimborazo**
(Calle Punta Arenas)
14. **Parque 4 de Diciembre**
(Felicitísimo López y Chillibulo)
15. **Parque y Liga Concepción Sur**
(Calle Egusquiza y Benito Flores)
16. **Parque Yaguachi**
(Gral. Pintag y Tnte. García)
17. **Parque Metro**
(Jacinto Collaguazo y R. Chávez)
18. **Parque Skate**
(Calle Princesa Toa y Cori Duchicela)
19. **Parque Coop. 14 de Enero**
(Chicaña y Paquisha)
20. **Parque La Raya**
(San Luis y Av. Teniente Hugo Ortiz)
21. **Planta de Tratamiento Puengasf**
(Av. Simón Bolívar junto P. Metropolitano)

CENTRO

22. **Parque Temático Factory**
(Av. Maldonado y Pujili)
23. **Cuartel Epilcachima**
(Av. Maldonado y Joaquín Gutiérrez)
24. **Estadio Liga Oriental**
(Abelardo Andrade y Hermandad Ferroviaria)
25. **Parque 17 de Julio**
(Lorenzo de Garaicoa y Maridueña)
26. **Estadio Chimbacalle**
(Juan de Alcázar y Andrés Pérez)
27. **Parque Caupicho**
(Leonidas Duples E5B)
28. **Canchas De San Francisco de Quito (Obrero Independiente)**
(Calle Constantino Fernández y Ricardo Izurieta del Castillo)
29. **Plaza San Francisco**
(Cuenca y Sucre)
30. **Plaza Santo Domingo**
(Flores, entre Bolívar y Rocafuerte)
68. **Parque Breñaña**
(Calle El Beaterio y Calle A, Conocoto)
69. **Parque La Armenia**
(Calle Sebastián de Benalcáza, Vía La Armenia)
70. **Parque La Moya**
(Julio Moreno y Mideros, Conocoto)
71. **Parque Intergeneracional**
(Calle Azuay y Santa Isabel)
72. **Liga Deportiva Barrio Cuendina**
(Calle Los Capulles)
73. **Liga Deportiva Barrio Central**
(Calle Antisana y Sucre)

VALLES

31. **Plaza Grande**
(Entre Venezuela y García Moreno)
32. **Plaza Chica**
(Psje. Espejo entre Guayaquil y Venezuela)
33. **Plaza San Blas**
(Av. Pichincha y Francisco de Caldas)
34. **Parque Itchimbía**
(Itchimbía y Fray Jodoco Ricke)
35. **Parque El Arbolito**
(Av. 12 de Octubre y Tarqui)
36. **Parque de La Alameda**
(Av. 10 de Agosto y Gran Colombia)
37. **Parque El Ejido**
(Av. Tarqui y Av. 10 de Agosto)
38. **Parque de La Vicentina "Vacas Galindo"**
(Calle Godín)
39. **Liga Barrial "La Vicentina"**
(Calle Godín y Condamine)
74. **Estadio Tolontag**
(Av. Principal)
75. **Estadio La Hospitalaria**
(Manuela Cañizares y Francisco Olearys)
76. **Centro de Recreación del Ministerio de Deportes, Ushimana.**
(Calle Río Ushimana y Puerto Rico)
77. **Estadio del Barrio Central**
(Calle Atahualpa)
78. **Parque Central Tumbaco**
(Francisco de Orellana y Eugenio Espejo)
79. **Complejo de la Empresa Eléctrica**
(Reservorio de Cumbayá)

NORTE

40. **Parque de la Mujer**
(Av. Mariana de Jesús y Diego Martín de Utreras)
41. **Parque Burgeois**
(Burgeois y Teresa de Cepeda)
42. **Parque El Heraldito**
(El Heraldito y El Día)
43. **Parque Metropolitano Guanguiltagua**
(Guanguiltagua y Diego Noboa)
44. **Parque La Carolina**
(Av. Eloy Alfaro y República)
45. **Parque Isla Seymur**
(Isla Seymur e Isla Floreana)
46. **Parque Sixto María Durán**
(Duarte y Brasil)
47. **Parque Emblemático**
(Jorge Piedra y Calle 10)
48. **Parque La Luz**
(Diógenes Paredes y Rafael Ramos)
49. **Parque Bicentenario**
(Av. Amazonas y De La Prensa s/n)
50. **Parque Inglés**
(General Vicente Aguirre y Machala)
51. **Parque La Victoria**
(Pío Jaramillo e Isaac Barrera)
52. **Parque Matovelle**
(Juan Alzuro y Calle K Barrera)
53. **Parque Einstein**
(Roberto Andrade y Alberto Einstein)
54. **Parque de Carcelón**
(G. Duarte y Alejandro Ponce)
55. **Área Recreativa Carapungo**
(José Velasco Ibarra y Juan de Dios Martínez)
56. **La Pampa de Calderón**
(Independencia, entre Giovanni Calles y 9 de Agosto)
57. **Parque de la C y D**
(Galo Plaza Lasso y Juan de Dios Martínez)
58. **Explanada de la Unidad Educativa Municipal**
(Amalia Urquén y Agustín Guerrero)
59. **Área Comunal de los Nardos**
(Jacaránd y Fidel Martínez)
60. **Cancha del Barrio Ecuador**
(Eloy Alfaro y calle de Alta Tensión)
61. **Parque Urbanización San José de Morán**
(Carlos Mantilla y Eloy Alfaro)
62. **Cancha Deportiva La Bombonerita, Junto al CDC de Llano Chico**
(17 de Septiembre y La Delicia)
63. **Cancha 18 de Marzo**
(3 de Mayo y Río Amazonas)
64. **Parque Central de la Comuna de San Miguel**
(Atahualpa y España)
65. **Parque Central de Oyacoto**
(Atahualpa y 4 de Octubre)
66. **Mercado de Llano Grande**
(García Moreno junto a la UPC, Barrio Ingahuayco)
67. **Área verde del Bicentenario**
(Eloy Alfaro y Prolongación de la Av. Simón Bolívar)



Sitio Seguro

If any international student or international university/organization has a question or concern about earthquake safety, please visit us at Casa Corona or send us an email at opi@usfq.edu.ec.