UGA Emergency Notification Methods

The following methods may be used to notify the campus community of various emergencies that may impact students, staff and faculty on the University of Georgia campus.

The **UGA Alert** system ([www.ugaalert.uga.edu](http://www.ugaalert.uga.edu)) is UGA’s emergency mass notification system that is capable of sending thousands of messages within minutes by emailing, SMS text messaging and phone calls. The system will only be used when there is a severe threat to public safety and health of the entire campus that has not been contained or controlled and when immediate action is required. The UGA Alert phone number reflected on your caller I.D. will be (706) 542-0111.

UGA has **4 outdoor tornado warning sirens** that are activated by Athens-Clarke County during tornado warnings for the county. The outdoor tornado sirens are only intended to be heard by persons who are located outdoors. The sirens are located at the State Botanical Garden, on top of the Chemistry Building, at the end of Rogers Road and on top of the East Campus Parking Deck.

**UGA Alert DESKTOP** scrolls across computers connected to the UGA network whenever the UGA Alert system is activated. The text crawl provides emergency activation information and then disappears after the message scrolls across the screen five times. The use of UGA Alert Desktop follows the same activation procedures as utilized for the UGA Alert system. Download at [http://sitesoft.uga.edu/](http://sitesoft.uga.edu/).

The **UGA Cablevision emergency screen capture** allows emergency messages to be flashed across all University controlled television stations.

A campus-wide e-mail notification system called **Arch News** can rapidly send e-mail information to all faculty, staff and students on campus. It is normally utilized to provide campus-wide general announcements, lane closures, crime updates and inclement weather closings.

**UGA Home page** – The University of Georgia’s official Web site for weather closings and emergency event information ([www.uga.edu](http://www.uga.edu)).

**NOAA Weather Radio** – Provides 24/7 all-hazard watches and warnings for incidents such as floods, tornadoes, thunderstorms, winter storms, train derailments, AMBER alerts and terrorist attacks.

**Important Reminders**

- Call the UGA Police at 911 for all campus emergencies
- For non-emergencies, call UGA Police at (706) 542-2200
- Go to [www.uga.edu](http://www.uga.edu) for more information during an emergency
- Program (706) 542-0111 into your cell phone as “UGA Alert” to recognize calls from UGA Alert