

Facilities Management Manual (FAC)

FAC 109: Bee Policy

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Purpose

To define the response procedure for reported bee sightings on university property

Source

Bee Management – University of Arizona

Applicability

All departments discovering or personnel answering calls of reported bee activity

Policy

In the event of reported and/or suspected bee infestation(s), Facilities Management personnel will be sent to the area of infestation and will take immediate steps to safeguard life and mitigate a hazardous condition. The reported site will be inspected by trained personnel to determine if an actual bee problem exists.

If it is determined that a hazardous bee infestation does exist, it will be dealt with as an emergency situation, and the ASU Police Department will be contacted immediately.

Note: Any reported have must always be treated as an “Africanized bee” emergency, since it cannot be determined otherwise without special laboratory testing.

Procedure

Responsibility	Action
Reporting department	1. Report bee activity and the exact location to the Facilities Management (FM) Service Center at 480/965–3633. After 5:00 p.m. on weekdays and on weekends, all calls will be automatically forwarded to the FM Help Desk.
Service Center or Management Supervisor	2. Notify the Grounds Department office, the pest control crew chief, or the Grounds Manager.
Grounds staff member (certified chemical applicator)	3. Investigate the site to determine if a hazardous bee problem does exist and the severity of the infestation. 4. Remove bee swarm and/or hive (may also be performed by a pest control company or fire department.) NOTE: if determined to be a hazardous bee infestation, it will be treated as an emergency and the ASU Police Department will be notified.

ASU Police Department	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Cordon off the area immediately, and evacuate the vicinity if the situation demands.6. In the event of a hazardous situation, a mass text alert will be sent out to inform students and staff to refrain from entering that vicinity.7. If a person(s) are victims of a bee attack, call the paramedics immediately at 911.
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