

APPENDIX D

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INTRODUCTION

Upon consultation with meteorologists and Metrobus officials, consideration will be given to the cancellation of classes or closure of the University when the local weather forecast and/or campus conditions warrant. Memorial's decision to close the university or cancel classes is based on the safety of students, staff and faculty.

The decision to delay opening or to close early is based on numerous factors including weather conditions, road conditions, bussing and conditions on campus. In particular, the university will rely on the threshold criteria for public alerts about weather hazards as defined by Environment Canada on its website (<http://www.ec.gc.ca/meteo-weather/default.asp?lang=En&n=D9553AB5-1>) in order to assess potential impact relating to specific weather warnings.

In all cases, employees and commuting students must use their best judgment in determining their personal safety when traveling between home and the campus.

Advisories for late openings and/or closures will normally be issued by Marketing and Communications by 7:00 a.m. Early closures will be announced at least one hour in advance whenever possible.

METHODS OF COMMUNICATION

Web

Memorial's website alert system will be activated if there is an emergency, class cancellation or closure advisory. A message will be posted on the university's home page outlining the emergency announcement. Check the following websites:

- www.mun.ca
- [Cancellations http://www.mun.ca/main/cancellations.php](http://www.mun.ca/main/cancellations.php)
- News and events today.mun.ca

Social Media

Check the official University Twitter feed: @MemorialU

Local Radio Stations

- [CBC Radio One 640 AM](#)
- [VOCM 590 AM](#)
- [OZFM 94.7 FM](#)
- [Coast 101.1 FM](#)
- [CHMR 93.5 FM \(accepts only daytime advisories\)](#)

Emergency Code Plans

Telephone

Call the campus switch board for information: (709) 864-8000.

E-mail

University email account holders on the St. John's campus will receive an email message if they are subscribed to MUN Newsline email service. If you are not receiving Newsline, email help@mun.ca.