

# College of Engineering Safety Standard

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## Safety Starts with you

September is National Preparedness Month, the annual campaign to remind everyone that preparing for emergencies and disasters can keep them, their families, and their communities safe. The [Ready Campaign](#) aims to ensure all our friends and neighbors have the tools they need to prepare for disasters and build resilience before disaster strikes.



### Be a Safe Pedestrian

- Always obey all traffic signs.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Look where you are going, establish eye contact with motorists and bicyclists, and if you listen to music, limit the volume.
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections. Look for cars in all directions, including those turning left or right.

**COE Campus construction updates:** Construction on campus is constantly changing. Remain aware of traffic flow changes that may occur daily. Review the latest information by scanning the QR code or visiting:

<https://facilities.engr.wisc.edu/project-update/>



[UWPD's BadgerSAFE](#) app turns your smartphone into a personal safety device. Anyone can download BadgerSAFE — students, staff, parents, and community members.



<https://transportation.wisc.edu/commuter-solutions/walking/>

### E-device Storage Registration for COE Buildings



Battery Info



Registration

In order to support safe practices across the College of Engineering, any device used for transportation on the COE campus that uses [Lithium polymer \(LiPo\) batteries](#) must be registered, if stored in controlled work location within COE buildings.

[Lithium-Ion batteries](#) do not need to be registered.

How do I know what type of battery I have? Scan the Battery Info QR codes above for additional information and registration.

Once a device is registered, COE Safety will provide the operator with a LiPo battery storage bag. This storage bag must be used whenever the device is being stored or charged on campus, as the bag is specifically designed to reduce fire hazards associated with LiPo batteries.

Please note that transportation devices powered by LiPo batteries may not be stored in general-access areas of COE buildings (such as hallways, lounges, or other shared spaces). This restriction is in place to protect the broader campus community by minimizing potential fire and safety risks.

### COE Lab Coat Program Update

Access to the lab coat laundry services has transitioned from individual WISCARDS to cards assigned to each lab or PI group. If your research involves hazardous chemicals, wearing a lab coat is required.

Additional information can be found at:

<https://safety.engr.wisc.edu/coe-lab-coat-program/>



LAB COAT VENDING MACHINE  
ACCESS CARD

PI:

Bldg. & Rm #:

Work Tag:



[CoE  
Safety:](#)



[Graduate  
Student Safety  
Committee  
\(GSSC\):](#)



If you have interest in contributing to the Safety Standard or discuss a safety related item, please contact the CoE safety group at:

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