

Points of Distribution (PODs)



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PODs are meant to provide a commodity to the community when it is NOT available via normal means.



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Types of PODs



Type I

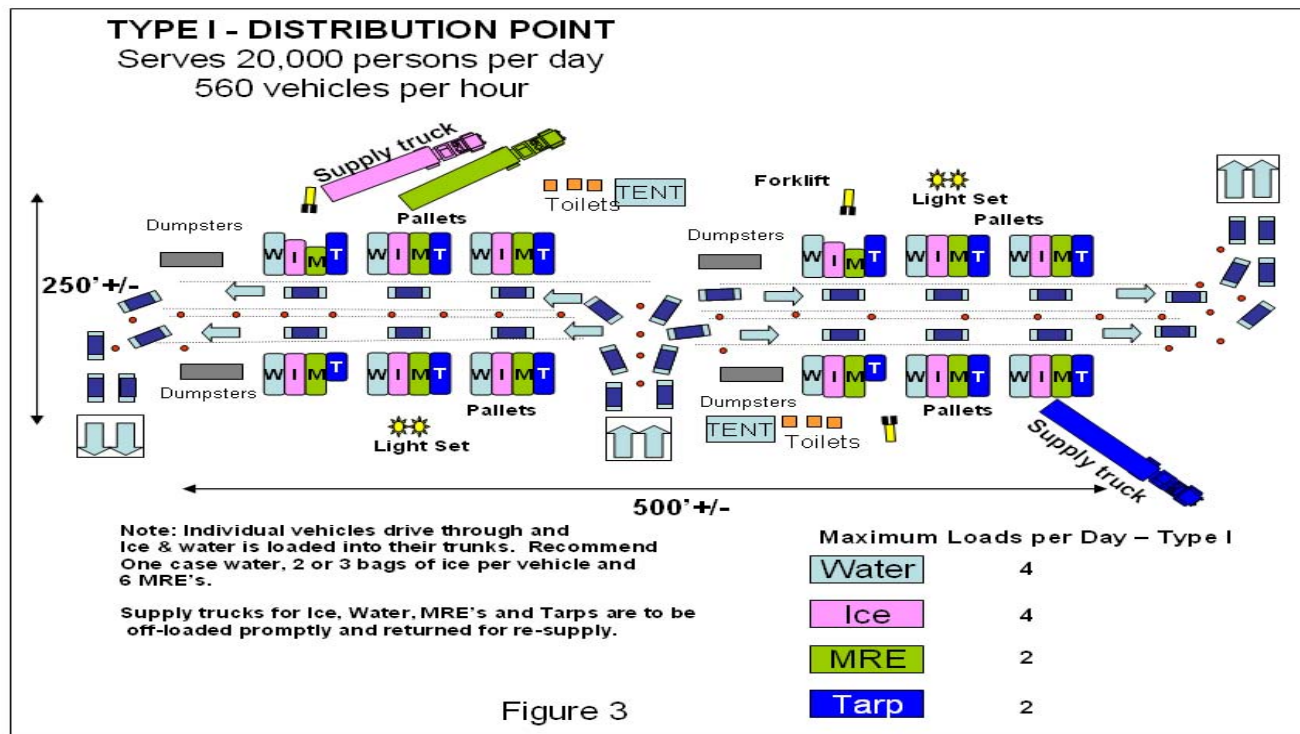


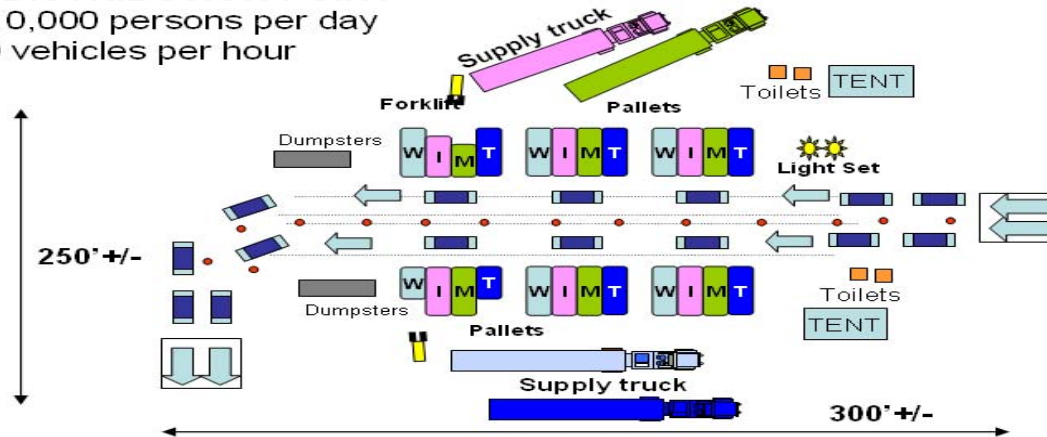
Figure 3



Type II

TYPE II - DISTRIBUTION POINT

Serves 10,000 persons per day
280 vehicles per hour



Note: Individual vehicles drive through and Ice & water is loaded into their trunks. Recommend One case water, 2 or 3 bags of ice per vehicle and 6 MRE's

Supply trucks for Ice, Water, MRE's and Tarps are to be off-loaded promptly and returned for re-supply.

Maximum Loads per Day - Type II

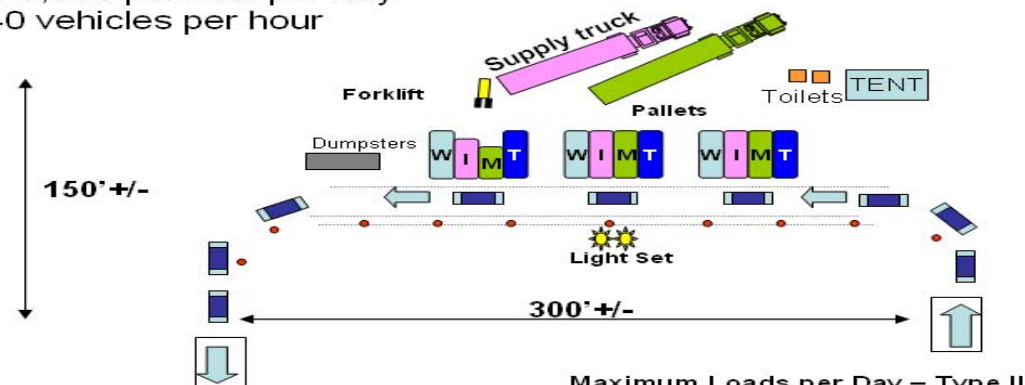
Water	2
Ice	2
MRE	1
Tarp	1

Figure 5

Type III

TYPE III - DISTRIBUTION POINT

Serves 5,000 persons per day
140 vehicles per hour



Note: Individual vehicles drive through and Ice & water is loaded into their trunks. Recommend One case water, 2 or 3 bags of ice per vehicle and 6 MRE's

Supply trucks for Ice, Water, MRE's and Tarps are to be off-loaded promptly and returned for re-supply.

Maximum Loads per Day – Type III

Water	1
Ice	1
MRE	1/2
Tarp	1/2

Figure 7

Distribution of Commodities



- 1 Gallon of water per person per day
- 8 pounds (1 bag) of ice per person per day
- 2 MRE's or equivalent per person per day
- 1 Tarp, if needed and available



Distribution of Commodities



- Resource distribution: One resource per person/ one day
- Person may be picking up resources for elderly neighbor(s) or family member(s)
- May have a large family (5 to 6+) home
- May not live in Miami-Dade County

USE COMMON SENSE!



POD Safety

Safe Lifting



POD Safety

KNOW SIGNS/SYMPTOMS OF HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES

MONITOR YOURSELF, FAMILY, AND CO-WORKERS

FACTORS LEADING TO HEAT STRESS

High temperature and humidity ■ Direct sun or heat
Physical exertion ■ Poor physical condition ■ Some medicines
Limited air movement ■ Inadequate tolerance for hot workplaces

SYMPTOMS OF HEAT EXHAUSTION

- Headaches, dizziness, lightheadedness or fainting.
- Weakness and moist skin.
- Mood changes such as irritability or confusion.
- Upset stomach or vomiting.

SYMPTOMS OF HEAT STROKE

- Dry, hot skin with no sweating.
- Mental confusion or losing consciousness.
- Seizures or convulsions.

WHAT TO DO FOR HEAT STROKE

- **Call 911** (or local emergency number) at once.

While waiting for help to arrive:

- Move the person to a cool, shaded area.
- Loosen or remove heavy clothing.
- Provide cool drinking water.
- Fan and mist the person with water.



POD Safety



LIGHTNING KILLS **Play It Safe !**



Lightning Facts...

- ✓ No place outside is safe during a thunderstorm.
- ✓ Lightning kills more people annually than tornadoes or hurricanes.
- ✓ If you hear thunder, you're likely within striking distance of the storm.

Outdoors...

- ✓ Plan outdoor activities to avoid thunderstorms.
- ✓ Monitor weather conditions. If you hear thunder, get inside a substantial building immediately.
- ✓ If a substantial building is not available, get inside a hard-topped metal vehicle.
- ✓ Avoid open areas and stay away from isolated tall objects.

Indoors...

- ✓ Avoid contact with any equipment connected to electrical power, such as computers or appliances.
- ✓ Avoid contact with water or plumbing.
- ✓ Stay off corded phones.
- ✓ Stay away from windows and doors.
- ✓ Remain inside for 30 minutes after the last rumble of thunder is heard.

If Someone Is Struck...

- ✓ Victims do not carry an electrical charge and may need immediate medical attention.
- ✓ Call 911 for help.
- ✓ Monitor the victim and begin CPR or AED, if necessary.

For more information, visit:

www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov



POD Safety



POD Safety



- Wear closed shoes or steel-toed shoes
- Wear light comfortable clothing
- Wear a hat for added sun protection
- Bring sunscreen with you
- Bring snacks
- Drink plenty of fluids
- Take periodic breaks





POD Operations



POD Team

- POD Manager
- POD Logistics Coordinator
- Team Supervisor
- Media Relations Contact
- DAEs



Duties



Loading commodities into vehicles

Traffic control

Count vehicles

Count walk-ups

Inventory resources



Responsibilities



- Must sign-in/sign-out each day
- Use DAE Payroll and Attendance Record (EPAR)
- Alert POD Management Team to any issues that may impact the smooth operation of the POD



Responsibilities



- Alert supervisors and DAE Hotline if unable to show for assignment
- COME PREPARED TO WORK!



Important Forms To Remember

POD OPENING CHECKLIST

TASK	ISSUES/CONCERNS
<input type="checkbox"/> Make contact with Florida National Guard Officer-In-Charge	
<input type="checkbox"/> Make contact with Location Site Manager	
<input type="checkbox"/> Review Site Assessment provided in POD Supply Kit	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact POD Operation Headquarters in WASD for further instructions	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gather necessary supplies/equipment to facilitate a sign-in area	
<input type="checkbox"/> Set-up a sign-in area (tables, chairs, and sign-in sheets) for DAE's	
<input type="checkbox"/> Staff Orientation <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Show diagram of POD 2. Location of restrooms 3. Port-a-potties (if necessary) 4. Water outlets 5. Electrical outlets 6. Dumpsters 7. Conduct Safety Orientation and issue Safety Equipment 	
<input type="checkbox"/> Review roles and assignments with DAE's	
<input type="checkbox"/> Assign DAE's to jobs within POD locations	
<input type="checkbox"/> Locate fork lift, pallet jacks and all other equipment necessary for moving commodities and take inventory of equipment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Place cones within POD and at entrance to POD to facilitate traffic control, according to diagram, or modify as necessary.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Find location to charge radio batteries and test radio communications.	

POD Closing Checklist on back

Important Forms To Remember



POD Operational Update Form

Date: _____ Time: _____

TO: Emergency Operations Center
Commodity Distribution Coordinator

Phone: (305) 468-58XX

FROM: _____
POD: _____

Contact Person: _____
Phone: _____

Population Count:

Number of Cars

POD Operations:

Staff		Needs (Be specific)	Resolution
Management Assistant Staff	<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> SHORTAGE		
Heavy Equipment Operators	<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> SHORTAGE		
Security	<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> SHORTAGE		
Support Staff	<input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> SHORTAGE		



Important Forms To Remember



POD Inventory Tracking Form

Date: _____ Time: _____

TO: Emergency Operations Center
Logistics Section
Phone: (305) 468-58XX

FROM: _____
(Print Name & Initial)

POD: _____

Contact Person: _____
Phone: _____

Item	Qty Recd	Qty Issued	Balance	Comments
Water				
Tarp				
MRE				
Other				



Where is my POD?



Where is my POD located?

- Departments are not assigned to a specific location (POD).
- Assignments are made on an as-needed basis.
- OEM can assist in getting a group of DAEs, (same department), from a central location (e.g.SPCC) to a POD site.



Key decision points for POD locations



- Where did the disaster occur? Heavily impacted areas considered for PODs.
- Rural areas that do not have access to stores
- Area where water and other emergency supplies are not locally available in neighborhood stores that are open for business



Key decision points for POD locations



- The objective of the state is to ensure that resources are “available” to a community. That does not mean it has to be FREE, just available.



Key decision points for POD locations



- The final decision for opening a POD is made by the County Mayor or his designee



State/Local Coordination



- Florida National Guard may provide operational support for the first 72 hours
- County assumes responsibility after the first 72 hours until demobilization, but you may be asked to step in earlier depending on need



Disaster Assistance Employee



- Appendix 2 of DAE SOPs
 - “Working as a DAE is not voluntary; it is an assignment made by the County Executive Office and outlined in County Ordinance 8-B...”



Disaster Assistance Employee



➤ *EOC Essential*

Employees who are not required by their department to perform departmental duties before the onset of a hurricane and in the first 24-72 hours after an emergency can be assigned to essential countywide tasks through the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).



References



- DAE Program:
<http://intra.miamidade.gov/dae>
- Get prepared:
http://www.miamidade.gov/oem/get_prepared.asp
- Bluebook:
<https://secure.miamidade.gov/enet/wps/portal>

