

# LONE WORKERS POLICY

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# PURPOSE

To protect and minimise risk for all Impamark employees when working unsupervised and alone from the offices at No 1 Dammerwick Farm Burnham

# **ON LEAVING THE BUILDING**

- Turn off all lights except for outside security light
- Shut all windows
- Secure Window Locks
- Turn off Fans not including server cooling fans
- Close Blinds
- Turn off all kitchen appliances
- Turn radiators down and/or boiler off on Thursdays for the weekend to reduce unnecessary oil consumption weather dependent
- Turn answer phone on and activate alarm

### **OFFICE MANAGEMENT**

- When opening the front door please use spy hole and door chain. Be aware of letting in strangers unannounced. If you have any doubts do not open the door
- Contact Nicky or John to let them know you are opening the door
- Contact again when back at your desk.
- Beware of shouting out information that informs others you are on your own e.g. "Sorry, hold on - **I am on my own**"
- In Winter months when it is dark in the early evenings, liaise with each other regarding leaving times so it is possible as far as is practical to leave together
- When making appointments with either customers or suppliers at the office liaise with others first to try to ensure that you are not on your own
- Ensure emergency telephone list on central wall in bold letters is upto date and includes the local police, landlord of the premises, Nicky and John in Spain etc
- Do not lift anything that is too heavy and causes undue strain
- Do not leave keys in the safe. Ensure a notice is kept on the door indicating that no money is

left overnight in this safe to prevent opportunistic thieves

- Do not leave handbags or valuables on display. Have your mobile telephone on the desk and leave bags and valuables in a shut drawer
- Do not use the stairs unnecessarily when on your own in the building
- In Winter months especially when it is dark park as close to the front door as possible

### **ANNUAL OFFICE CHECKLIST**

First Aid Kit - to be placed in an accessible place in the main office.

Action	Date
First Aid Contents checked	January
PAT Testing	February
Boiler	March
Alarm	October
Fire Extinguishers	December

#### WORKSTATIONS

This is covered in our separate H & S Policy so please ensure you are up to date with it all.

Remember to check chairs, sitting at desk and computer terminals to ensure that you are complying with H & S regulations. John to check workstations bi-annually

Above all, common sense prevails and whatever is reasonably practical