

Suspected Biological or Chemical Substance Packages

If a package suspected to contain a harmful substance (biological/chemical) has been received or opened, sensible steps can be taken to minimise the risk of exposure and the possibility of harm. The overall message is to remain calm.

If you are in any doubt about a package, do not touch it, move it or open it

Call the Police on 999. Inform University Security on 01865 289999.

Features that can trigger suspicion:



- Leave the package in the room, shut windows and doors. Switch off any room air conditioning system. Ensure any individuals in the contaminated area are moved away from the immediate hazard to an adjacent unoccupied room/area.
- Movement of contaminated persons outside contained locations should be avoided as much as possible.
- Unaffected persons should evacuate and assemble at a safe distance away from the incident. Following guidance by the police and the other attending emergency services.
- Contaminated persons should be advised not touch eyes, nose or any other part of the body.
- Wash hands in ordinary soap where facilities are available.

Seek immediate medical advice.