

New Bedford Airport to host emergency drill on Thursday, May 30

New Bedford Regional Airport will conduct a routine emergency drill on Thursday, May 30, 2019.

The drill will occur between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, and will require emergency responders to dispatch to the airport. This is planned exercise that is required of the airport to maintain Federal Aviation Administration Status.

The drill will simulate a plane crash that will result in a mass casualty incident response by local EMS, police and fire. The New Bedford Police Department, New Bedford Fire Department, New Bedford EMS and the City's Division of Emergency Management will participate in the drill. The emergency departments of St. Luke's Hospital, Charlton Memorial Hospital and St. Anne's in Fall River, and Tobey Hospital in Wareham will also participate.

Residents and visitors can expect to see emergency personnel responding to the airport, as well as in participating emergency rooms, as part of the drill on Thursday, May 30 between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., and are alerted that it is only a drill.