

BE **FLOOD** READY

YOUR GUIDE TO FLOOD PREPAREDNESS

BEFORE

- Listen to your local television and radio stations or go to www.weather.gov.
- Assemble disaster supplies and an emergency kit and be prepared to evacuate.
- Identify places to go and alternative travel routes that are not prone to flooding.
- Plan for pet care.
- Fill your vehicle with gas.
- If the authorities announce that you are to leave, do so quickly.
- Decide where you will meet if your family becomes separated.
- Protect your property by moving valuables and furniture to higher locations. Bring your outside possessions indoors or securely tie them down.
- Disconnect electrical appliances. However, if you are standing in water do not touch them!
- Seal vents to basements to help prevent flooding into your home.
- Lock all doors and windows.

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DURING

- Listen to your local television and radio stations or go to www.weather.gov.
- If you must drive, drive carefully - especially at night.
- Avoid areas of disaster and follow recommended routes.
- Watch for damaged areas such as washed-out roads, landslip, or downed trees/powerlines.
- If your vehicle stalls or you find yourself trapped by water, leave your vehicle. Do not try to drive through a flooded area.
- Do not remain in low-lying areas.
- If you see power lines and electrical wires, steer clear.
- If authorities announce an evacuation, do so immediately.
- Never try to walk or swim through water. Even six inches of water can sweep you off your feet.
- If someone falls or is trapped in flood water call 911 and look for something to throw the victim that can help them float.

AFTER

- Listen to your local television and radio stations or go to www.weather.gov.
- Only return when the authorities have given permission to return.
- If the home or business you are returning to is still flooded or surrounded by flood water, do not enter.
- Be on the lookout for hazards and report to appropriate authorities.
- Wear sturdy footwear.
- Take pictures of the damage (both the building and the contents) for insurance claims.
- Throw away any food or water that has been in contact with the flood water.
- Keep the power off until an electrician has inspected the system for safety.
- Do not allow children to play in flooded areas.
- Flammable material may be present so always use battery-operated lighting.
- Watch for animals that may have been trapped by the floodwater.

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