

Work together with your family to develop a family plan so that the adults and children know what to do.

Use the checklist to ensure that your Disaster Survival Kit is well prepared.

## DISASTER SURVIVAL KIT CHECKLIST

- ☐ 1 gallon of commercially bottled water per person daily
- ☐ Canned, boxed or plastic bottled juice
- ☐ Canned foods: meat, fish, fruits, vegetables
- ☐ Dried food like bread, cookies, biscuits
- ☐ Baby food and formula (*if needed*)
- ☐ Disposable plates, cups, utensils and garbage bags
- ☐ Cooking tools and fuel
- ☐ Insurance papers, medical records and identification stored in a waterproof bag
- ☐ First Aid Kit with mosquito repellent
- ☐ Prescription Medicine (*min. a week's supply*)
- ☐ Infant care supplies, diapers, etc.
- ☐ Special items for elderly or disabled family members
- ☐ Flashlights, extra batteries
- ☐ Battery operated radio and clock
- ☐ Manual can opener
- ☐ Matches in a waterproof container
- ☐ Water purification kit or bleach (*4 drops per quart*)
- ☐ Plastic sheeting and duct tape
- ☐ Toiletries and personal hygiene items including feminine supplies
- ☐ Toilet paper, moist towelettes and soap
- ☐ Fire extinguisher
- ☐ Tools including a wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- ☐ Sturdy shoes, extra clothing, eyeglasses
- ☐ Pillows, blankets, sleeping bags
- ☐ Small amount of cash in small bills
- ☐ Pet care items: food, water, carrier, medications, muzzle and leash.

### FLASH FLOOD WATCH

Flash flooding is possible. Be prepared to move to higher ground; tune in to your radio or television for information.

### FLASH FLOOD WARNING

A flash flood is occurring; seek higher ground on foot immediately.

### FLOOD WATCH

The possibility of flooding is present, but its probability is relatively low. Constant monitoring occurs. Tune in to your radio or television for information.

### FLOOD WARNING

Flooding is occurring or will occur soon. Indications show that water levels will exceed the alert level within 24 hours. If advised to evacuate, do so immediately.

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A FEW MINUTES  
FOR  
RISING WATER  
TO BECOME A .....

FLOOD



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ARE YOU READY?

## BEFORE

- Work with your neighbours and community to keep drains and surroundings free from garbage.
- Have a plan that takes children, seniors, physically challenged persons and pets to safety.
- Keep materials like plastic sheeting, sandbags, lumber, plywood, nails, rope and wire ready and available.
- Have your Disaster Survival Kit prepared.
- Monitor weather conditions and listen for emergency instructions.
- Store food, livestock feed, supplies household items and chemicals away from flood waters.
- Store commercially bottled water for drinking, as well as water in sealed plastic containers for other hygienic purposes.
- Determine flood free routes to and from your home to use during flooding.
- Insure your property against flooding.

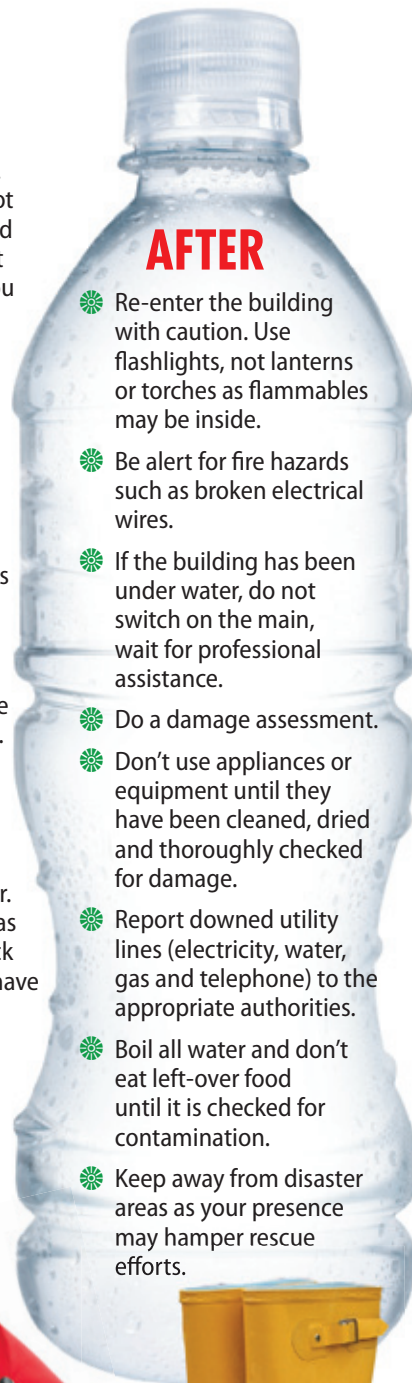


## DURING

- Do not attempt to drive through a flooded road. The depth of water is not always obvious. The road bed may be washed out under the water, and you could be stranded or trapped.
- Children should NEVER play around high water or storm drains as they can be swept away by fast-moving water.
- Don't attempt to cross rivers or flowing streams where water is above the knees.
- Turn off your water, gas and electricity at the main switches or valves. Disconnect all electrical appliances.
- Do not touch electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water. Some appliances, such as television sets, can shock you even after they have been unplugged.

## AFTER

- Re-enter the building with caution. Use flashlights, not lanterns or torches as flammables may be inside.
- Be alert for fire hazards such as broken electrical wires.
- If the building has been under water, do not switch on the main, wait for professional assistance.
- Do a damage assessment.
- Don't use appliances or equipment until they have been cleaned, dried and thoroughly checked for damage.
- Report downed utility lines (electricity, water, gas and telephone) to the appropriate authorities.
- Boil all water and don't eat left-over food until it is checked for contamination.
- Keep away from disaster areas as your presence may hamper rescue efforts.



**PREPARE  
YOUR FAMILY  
& YOUR  
COMMUNITY**

**LOOK  
FOR RAPIDLY  
RISING WATER**

**ACT  
GO TO SAFETY  
IMMEDIATELY**

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