
Disaster/Emergency Relief Plan of Action

7. Tell all residents near the fire source to stand ready with water hoses to wet down their homes or adjacent building(s) in case of traveling sparks.
8. Make sure all occupants have left the home and **immediately** let the fire department personnel know if any disabled person(s) or anyone not accounted for and may still be in the residence.
9. If smoky conditions are present, remember that smoke rises and stay as close to the floor as possible. Before exiting through a door, feel the bottom of the door with the palm of your hand. If it is **hot**, find another way out. **Never open a door that is hot to the touch.**
10. Should your clothing catch fire: **first *cover your face and mouth*, drop...then roll. Never run.** If a rug or blanket is handy, roll yourself up in it until the fire is out.
11. If trapped on an upper floor, hang something out of a window to signal rescuers.

Floods

Flood *Watch* means that there is the possibility of flooding.

Flood *Warning* means that flooding has begun or is imminent.

Before a Flood:

1. Know the elevation of your property in relation to nearby streams, rivers, and lakes.
2. Have several escape routes planned and prepare/ maintain your Family Disaster Supplies Kit.
3. The National Weather Service continuously broadcasts updated weather conditions, warnings and forecasts on National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radios. A NOAA radio may be purchased at radio or electronic stores. Local broadcast stations transmit Emergency Alert System messages, which may be heard on standard radios.
4. When rising water threatens, move everything possible to higher ground.
5. If flooding is imminent and time permits, turn off main electrical switch.
6. Disconnect all electrical appliances. Cover outlets with tape.
7. Most standard residential insurance policies do not cover flood loss.
8. In flood-prone areas, the National Flood Insurance Program makes flood insurance available for manufactured homes on foundations. See your insurance broker for details.
9. Secure your Liquefied Petroleum Gas Containers. One option is to secure the tanks with stainless steel straps that connect to auger anchors in the ground.
10. Strap and secure your hot water heater.

During a Flood:

1. Take all flood warnings seriously. **Do not wait.** Get to higher ground **immediately** as flood waters often rise faster than expected.
2. If time permits, take all important papers, photographs, medicines, and eye-glasses.
3. If one escape route is not passable, do not waste any time. Try another route or back track to higher ground.