

What to do when it is Flooding



Before the floods...

1. Know about your local relief centres and evacuation routes
2. Keep emergency numbers and important information handy
3. Fold and roll up anything onto higher ground with all supplies
4. Plant trees and shrubs and keep a lot of vegetation in your compound

During the floods...

1. Be quick, keep safe and ensure that children and elderly are safe by leaving the house to a higher ground
2. Turn off all electrical appliance, gas, heating and the like if there is a bit of time
3. Leave the area before it gets too late. Do not drive through the water
4. Stay away from power lines or broken power transmission cables.
5. Try to keep away from flood water as it may contain chemicals or other hazardous materials.

After the floods...

1. Make sure you have permission from emergency officers to get back inside your house.
2. Keep all power and electrical appliance off until the house is cleaned up properly
3. Make sure you have photographs, or a record of all the damage
4. Clean the entire home
5. Mark the Flooding level, if possible, so that it can be utilized by Authorities for future use

The water is rising what do I do?

Do not attempt to walk across flowing water or drive through flooded roadways.



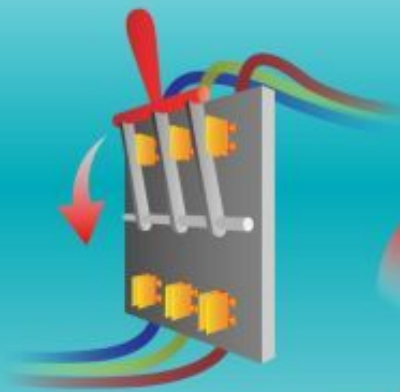
Go to higher ground and try to avoid areas subject to flooding.



If you are in a vehicle and become surrounded by water, get out quickly but safely and move to higher ground. Vehicles can be swept away in two feet of water.




Turn off all utilities at the main power switch and close the main gas valve. Electrocutation is a major cause of fatalities during a flood.




If come in contact with floodwaters, wash affected areas with soap and disinfectant.






Watch out for snakes! Floodwaters flush snakes from their homes.



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