



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY



FLOODS

Prepare NOW

To ACT QUICKLY

Floods are the most frequent natural Hazards in Canada. They are the most dangerous in Ontario in terms of property damage, disruption and even death.



Floods are typically caused by:

- Melting snow
- Ice storms
- Heavy spring rains
- Summer thunderstorms



Flash flooding is often caused by:

- Violent rain storm
- Breaking dams

BE PREPARED !!

Flood Watch	Flood Warning
Flooding is possible	Flooding is happening is Imminent
Follow the instructions of Emergency Response Official, police, fire, municipal staff	Follow the instructions of Emergency Response Official, police, fire, municipal staff
Understand and know what to do if need for evacuation	Be prepared for possible evacuation
Remain Alert	Stay away from flood waters

IF Indoors	IF Outdoors
Move essential items to an upper floor	DO NOT walk through moving water if at all possible – 6 inches can sweep you off your feet
If time move outdoor furniture inside	If having to walk through standing water- utilize a stick to check firmness of ground
Turn off utilities at the main switches or valves if instructed to do so by local officials	If flash flood threat- move quickly to higher ground
Disconnect electrical appliances (if not already wet or standing in water)	Keep Children and Pets away from all waters
Do not EAT food that came in contact with the flood	Obey signs and take alternate routes

Resist the urge to tour flooded areas. You may be putting your own life at risk and could interfere with the work of emergency responders.



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If you live in the FLOOD PLAIN area---be sure you have the proper insurance should flooding occur--contact your insurance company..... Be Prepared ..visit the Grand River website for more information.