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Flooding

Flooding can occur at any time during any season. Depending on area and drainage, bad weather can develop immediate flash flooding. Staying up to date on current weather in your area can help you be prepared and avoid danger.



What is Flooding?

Flooding occurs when a large amount of water submerges dry land.

Flash flooding occurs when rain fall happens so rapidly that it can't soak into the ground.

Bad drainage can also exacerbate the problem.



Facts about flash flooding

Flash flooding can be dangerous, water can move fast and debris can be hidden underneath the water.

Flash floods can last anywhere from a few minutes to hours.

Note: You can **NOT** out run a flash flood.



Protecting your home from floods

Have a sump pump installed at the lowest point of your basement.

Clear vegetation close to buildings and drainage.

If flooding occurs in your area get to the highest elevation possible and wait for the flood to dissipate.

FUN FACT!

As little as six inches of moving water can sweep an adult off their feet!

