

# A Guide to Flood Safety



## Know Your Hazard!

- Inland flooding is a leading weather-related cause of death in the United States.
- Identify the flood zone for your neighborhood and business.
- Are you in a repetitive flood prone area?
- Know the difference between a flood **WATCH** and a flood **WARNING**.
- Have a Family Emergency Plan and a Disaster Supply Kit ready in case you need to evacuate.

**Turn Around, Don't Drown!**



## Flood Watch vs. Flood Warning

### **WATCH:**

The expectation of a flood event has increased, but its occurrence, location, and timing are still uncertain.

### **WARNING:**

A flood event is occurring, imminent, or has a high probability of occurring.

## Flood Safety Tips

- Monitor your NOAA Weather Radio for current and forecasted conditions in your area. Listen for instructions by local emergency management.
- When walking, do not attempt to cross flowing streams.
- Know your evacuation routes before flooding occurs to ensure your safety.
- Be especially cautious at night when it is harder to recognize flood dangers.
- Find a place where your family can safely meet up at after an evacuation order is issued.

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*For more information on flood safety, visit:*

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