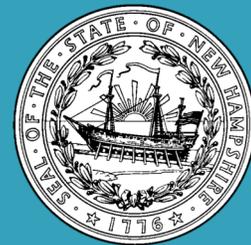


5 Simple Things You Can Do Now to Prepare for a Flood



Flooding is the most common natural disaster in New Hampshire. Just taking these five easy steps can help keep you, your loved ones, and your property safer when a flood happens.

1. Find out if you live near a high risk flood zone.

Visit msc.fema.gov and type in your address to find flood zones nearby. Zones that begin with a letter A or V are high risk zones.

2. Buy flood insurance.

Consider buying flood insurance even if you're in a low risk flood zone. Over 20% of flood insurance claims are in lower risk flood zones. Plus most homeowner policies do not cover floods. Contact your insurance agent or visit www.FloodSmart.gov to learn more.



3. Sign up for emergency alerts.



Get the latest emergency notifications for your area by signing up for text, email, or phone alerts through **NH Alerts** at www.readyNH.gov.

4. Make an emergency kit.

Have an emergency kit ready to go in case you and your family need to evacuate in a hurry. At a minimum you'll need a 3 day supply of food, water and medications.

Learn more about what to include at www.readyNH.gov/emergency-kits.



5. Make an emergency plan.

Before a flood (or other disaster) happens, sit down with your family and decide what you'll do in an emergency. Learn more and download a plan you can fill out at www.readyNH.gov/emergency-plan.