

Warm, humid weather is here which means thunderstorms are soon to follow — increasing your risk of exposure to flash flooding, even in areas not typically prone to flooding.

Nearly 20 percent of flood claims occur in moderate to low risk areas that are not considered flood zones. Since flood insurance needs 30 days to take effect, now is the time to put the proper coverage in place to protect your future.

Selective is committed to your safety, which is why we've compiled these useful tips to outline how you can prepare before and during a flood.



## **BE AWARE**

Ensure you have access to urgent information in the event of a flash flood.

- Listen for the latest weather updates or emergency instructions.
- Know where to go to reach higher ground quickly.
- Obey evacuation orders and be sure to lock your home or business when you leave.



## **BE READY**

Safeguard your home and possessions.

- Bring in outdoor furniture and move essential indoor items to the highest possible floor.
- Disconnect electrical equipment and steer clear of water that may be covering exposed outlets or cords.
- If instructed, turn off gas and electricity at the main switch or valve to help prevent fires or explosions.
- Build or restock an emergency preparedness kit including key items like a flashlight, batteries, cash, and first aid supplies.



## **BE CAUTIOUS**

It is never safe to drive or walk in flood waters, especially when the water is moving. Some things to keep in mind:

- A mere six inches of fast-moving flood water can easily knock over an adult.
- It takes just twelve inches of rushing water to carry away a small car.
- Two feet of moving water can carry away most vehicles.

Flooding can happen anywhere, anytime.

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