

PREPARE FOR FLOODING

According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), flooding has caused more damage in the U.S. than any other severe, weather-related event. FEMA records show that over the past 10 years, the average claim due to flood damage amounted to over \$33,000. Are you prepared for a flood emergency?

PREPARE

- Communicate and test a comprehensive emergency plan with your staff
- Elevate power components if susceptible to flooding
- Install check valves in sewer traps to prevent backup
- Construct barriers to prevent floodwater from entering
- Seal walls with waterproofing compounds to avoid seepage

					
Reclosable Bags	Plastic Shovels	Batteries	Ropes	Dewatering Pumps	Water Suction and Discharge Hoses
					
Weather Radios	Submersible Level Transmitters	Rainwear	Duct and Cloth Tapes	Water Containers	Sandbags

RESPOND

- Do not enter the facility if you smell gas or if flood water still surrounds the building
- If you have any doubts about safety, do not enter until the facility is inspected by a qualified building inspector or structural engineer
- Before you enter your facility or building, walk carefully around the outside and look around for loose power lines or structural damage
- Keep a battery-powered radio with you so you can listen for news updates
- Do not return to the flood zone until local officials declare the area safe

					
Two-Way Radios	Water-Resistant Flashlights	Portable Generators	Portable Electric Heaters	First Aid Kits	Tarps
					
Traffic Barricades	Chainsaws	Engine-Driven Pumps	Wheelbarrows	Flood Barriers	

RECOVER

- Buildings often sustain hidden damage in foundations; enter with extreme caution
- Listen for emergency information on a battery-operated radio or television
- Service damaged septic tanks, cesspools, pits and leaching systems as soon as possible
- Avoid floodwater: it may contain oil, gasoline, or raw sewage
- Floodwater also may be electrically charged

					
Gloves and Hand Protection	Gas Protection	Air Circulators	Dehumidifiers	Portable Blowers	Wet/Dry Vacs
					
Wet Mops, Squeegees and Buckets	Drain Cleaning Equipment	Mold-Resistant Products	Disinfectants and Sanitizers		