Flood Checklist

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# Tasks:

☐ **Before the Flood**

☐ **Find out if your home is at risk for flood.**

☐ **Consider installing "check valves" to prevent flood water from backing up into the drains of your home.**

☐ **Talk to your insurance provider about your policy coving flood damage.**

☐ **Flood Watch**

☐ **Tune in radio, commercial radio, or television for information.**

☐ **If possible, move furniture and valuables to higher floors in your home.**

☐ **Bring outdoor belongings inside.**

☐ **Fill bathtubs, sinks, and jugs with clean water.**

☐ **Secure your home.**

☐ **Be prepared to move to higher ground.**

☐ **Be prepared to evacuate at a moment's notice.**

☐ **Flood Warning**

☐ **Get your disaster emergency kit.**

☐ **Listen to the radio for the latest information.**

☐ **Turn off utilities at the main switches.**

☐ **Unplug electrical appliances.**

☐ **Seek higher ground on foot immediately.**

☐ **If advised to evacuate, do so immediately.**

☐ **Stay away from floodwaters.**

☐ **If you're outside, climb to higher ground and stay there.**

☐ **If you're driving through rising waters, abandon your car immediately and move toward higher ground.**

☐ **After Flood**

☐ **Return home only when officials have declared the area safe.**

☐ **Look outside for loose power lines, damaged gas lines, foundation cracks or other damage.**

☐ **Approach entrances carefully.**

☐ **See if porch roofs and overhangs have all their supports.**

☐ **Watch out for wild animals.**

☐ **If you smell natural or propane gas or hear a hissing noise, leave immediately and call the fire department.**

☐ **If power lines are down outside your home, do not step in puddles or standing water.**

☐ **Keep children and pets away from hazardous sites and floodwater.**

☐ **Check with local authorities for assistance with disposal to avoid risk.**

☐ **During cleanup, wear protective clothing, including rubber gloves and rubber boots.**

☐ **Make sure your food and water are safe.**

☐ **Do not use water that could be contaminated.**

☐ **Contact your local or state public health department for specific recommendations for boiling or treating water in your area.**