

Flood Safety Tips

When a flood is imminent or occurring, your first priority should be the physical safety of you, your loved ones, and your pets.

**If you have a
Fire-Police-Medical
Emergency Dial 911**



**Orangetown Police
Department
845-359-3700**



Stay alert by monitoring the local news and weather reports and sign up for emergency alerts. Have a communication plan ready in the event of a power outage.

Disconnect appliances if it is safe. Do not go into any room if water is covering electrical outlets or power cords.

Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down, and 12 inches of water can sweep away your vehicle. **NEVER WALK OR DRIVE THROUGH STANDING WATER!**

Evacuate when advised by authorities. If you are on high ground above flooded areas, being prepared to stay where you are may be the best protection.

Don't go to disaster areas until it is declared safe. Stay away from wet electrical equipment and power lines, even in your home to prevent being electrocuted!

Remember flood water can make the air in your home unhealthy to breathe due to mold and contamination. When cleaning wear a mask, goggles, and gloves. Make sure you clean and dry anything that was wet by flood waters.

For more information:

<https://www.ready.gov/flood-toolkit>

<https://www.weather.gov/safety/flood>

