

Preparedness Roundup

“Flood Safety Awareness Week”



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Flood Safety Tips

- **If asked to evacuate, do so quickly.** Floods can overwhelm natural and manmade barriers and may pose a serious threat to your safety in a matter of moments.
- **Keep away from floodwaters.** If you come upon flowing water that is above your ankles, you should stop, turn around, and go another way. Six inches of swiftly moving water can knock you off of your feet, while less than two feet can easily sweep a vehicle away.
- **Always keep children out of the water and away from recently flooded areas.** Children tend to be curious and often lack judgment about these potential hazards. Flowing streams and rivers can quickly surge, while muddied waters can conceal depth and other dangerous obstacles.
- **Only return home when you are told that it is safe to do so.** Evacuations may last for days or even weeks. These measures are meant to keep you safe – always wait for the “all clear.”
- **Download the brand new Red Cross Flood App!**



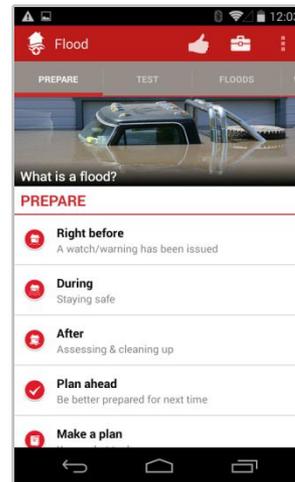
[Flood Safety Checklist](#)

[Returning Home After a Hurricane or Flood](#)

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Flood App Features

- Comprehensive flood facts to help keep you and your loved ones informed.
- Interactive quizzes with achievement badges so that you can show off your flood knowledge.
- “I’m Safe” feature creates single click notifications for everyone in your network.
- Fully-integrated Red Cross shelter finder.
- Automated flood safety tips whenever there is an alert in your area.
- 24/7 access to content regardless of cell phone coverage.



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