



Be ready for storms and floods

Know your risk.
Prepare your household.
Reduce risk where you can.
Connect with others.
Keep up to date.
Act safe.

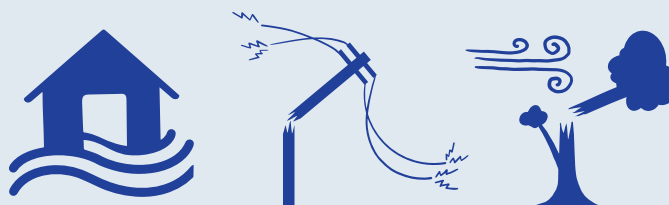


Before

Know your risk.

Storms can happen anywhere at any time and cause flooding.

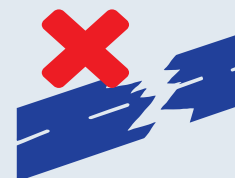
Storms can damage trees, buildings and power-lines.



Flood waters can rise quickly.

Even if a storm or flood does not damage your home, you may lose

- power
- phone and internet connection
- road access



Ask your local Council if your home or road access is likely to flood.

Check for warnings and weather forecasts on the radio or the internet.

Prepare your household.

Prepare an emergency plan that everyone in your household understands.

There are checklists to help – see [ses.tas.gov.au](https://www.ses.tas.gov.au) or [redcross.org.au/emergencies](https://www.redcross.org.au/emergencies)

Prepare an emergency kit.

Pack now



Battery powered radio and torch, spare batteries



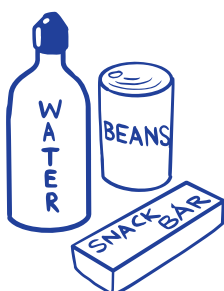
Important information, such as your emergency plan



Rubber or strong leather gloves



First aid kit



Food and water

Pack when needed



Warm clothes, strong shoes or boots



Medicines, glasses and other essential items



Pet food and anything else your pets need



Mobile phone and phone charger



Photos and special keepsakes



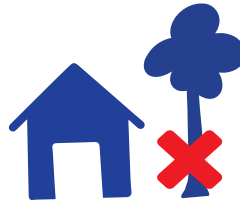
Important documents, for example

- insurance papers
- passports
- birth certificates
- money

Reduce risk where you can.



Think about floods and storms when buying or developing a house or other property.



Remove trees that could fall on your home.



Keep your gutters and drains clear.

Connect with your neighbours and get involved in your community.

Check your neighbours are aware of the dangers and safe.



During

Act safe.



Look after children and pets.



Check on family and neighbours.



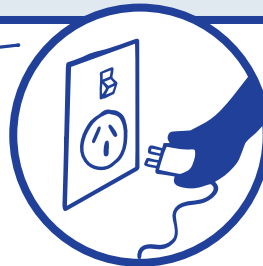
Tie down or put away anything that could blow or wash away.



Check your emergency kit is ready to go.



If you choose to leave, leave early.



Keep indoors. During storms, stay away from windows and unplug electrical items where you can.



Prepare for possible power, water or internet cuts.

Stay up to date.

Keep aware of what is happening around you. Check forecasts, observations and warnings regularly.



tasalert.com



Your local ABC radio station
abc.net.au/hobart
abc.net.au/northtas



bom.gov.au



Advice (Yellow)

An incident has started. There is no immediate danger. Stay up to date in case the situation changes.



Watch and Act (Orange)

There is a heightened level of threat. Conditions are changing and you need to start taking action now to protect you and your family.



Emergency Warning (Red)

An Emergency Warning is the highest level of warning. You may be in danger and need to take action immediately. Any delay now puts your life at risk.



Incident (White)

An incident is the initial occurrence of an event before it becomes an emergency warning. As soon as an incident is reported, TasALERT published basic information including the type and location of incident.

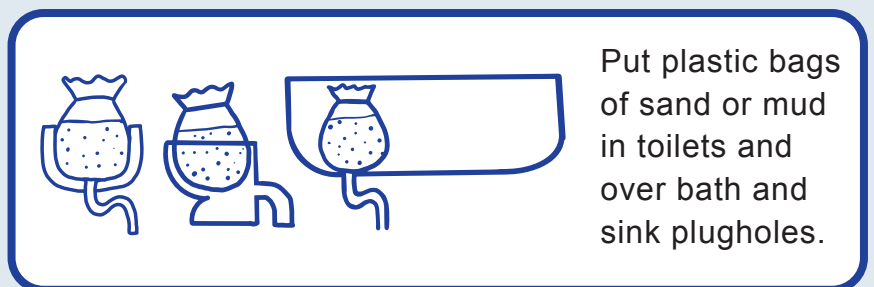
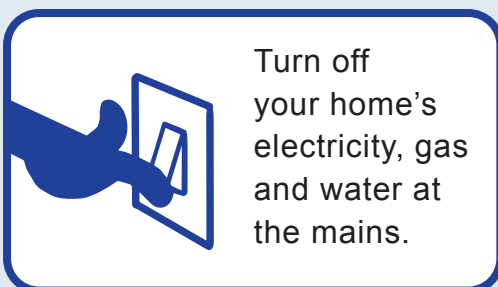
STAY AWAY from flood waters.
They are **DANGEROUS**.

If you evacuate

Follow the advice from SES and Tasmania Police.



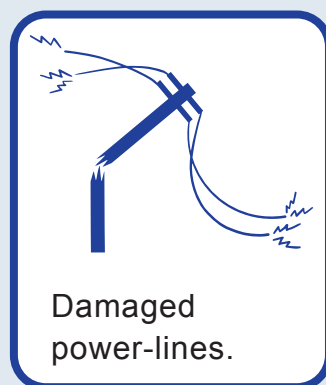
Help prevent damage.



Stay home unless it is unsafe to do so.

Do not go sightseeing.

If you do need to go out, watch out for hazards.



After

- Keep listening for updates and check www.tasalert.com for information and available help after the event.
- If you left home, do not return until SES or Tasmania Police tell you it is safe.
- Watch out for hazards such as debris on roads or damaged roads.

If the storm or flood has damaged your home



Wear strong boots, gloves and protective clothes.



Do not turn on electricity and gas until a licensed electrician or gas-fitter tests it.



Use a torch, never matches or candles inside flood affected buildings.



Boil drinking water until you are told the tap water is safe again.



Take photos of any damage and contact your insurance company.



Check neighbours are okay.

If you need to stay somewhere else, take your emergency kit and pets with you.



Supervise children.





Further information

Preparing for storms & floods

Your local flood guide: ses.tas.gov.au/flood-plan

Flood maps online: ses.tas.gov.au/floodmaps

Current warnings

www.tasalert.com

Emergency Broadcasters

Your local ABC radio station

Southern Tasmania

abc.net.au/hobart
936AM

Northern Tasmania

abc.net.au/northtas
91.7FM (Launceston)
102.5FM (Burnie)
100.5FM (Devonport)
90.5FM (Queenstown)
88.5FM (King Island)

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For life threatening
emergencies call
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