

#EPWeek2021

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK 2021

**Emergency
Preparedness: Be
Ready for ANYTHING!**

MAY 2ND – 8TH



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Thunder Storms



Extreme Heat



Winter Storm



FLOODS



PANDEMIC



FOREST FIRES



NUCLEAR INCIDENT



TORNADO



Erosion



Dam Failures



Earthquakes



DROUGHT



Landslides & Sinkholes

Across Canada, we face a number of natural hazards, which can vary from region to region. Knowing what to do during an emergency is an important part of being prepared. Find out more about risks in your region and how to prepare by visiting [GetPrepared.ca](https://www.getprepared.ca). Then use this guide for information on what to do in different situations.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Be prepared

Everyone in Ontario is encouraged to be prepared — by creating a plan, assembling an emergency survival kit and by staying informed.

Make a plan

Learn what situations you need to plan for, such as where to go in an evacuation or how to reach family members.

Build a kit

Everyone should have an emergency survival kit, with the supplies needed to be safe and take care of yourself and your family for at least three days.

Be informed

Learn about emergencies as soon as possible:

- [subscribe to receive emergency alerts](#)
- [follow @OntarioWarnings on Twitter](#)
- [receive email updates](#)

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MAKE A PLAN

WHAT YOUR PLAN SHOULD INCLUDE:

- **A FAMILY COMMUNICATIONS PLAN** - HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH FAMILY.
- **EVACUATION PLAN** - PICK 2 SAFE LOCATIONS TO GO TO IN CASE YOU NEED TO EVACUATE.
- **EVACUATION ROUTE** – MAKE SURE EVERYONE IN YOUR FAMILY KNOWS HOW TO SAFELY EXIT YOUR HOME, EITHER BY THE MAIN ENTRANCE OR AN ALTERNATIVE.
- **EMERGENCY NUMBERS** - TEACH YOUNG CHILDREN TO DIAL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY, KEEP A LIST OF EMERGENCY NUMBERS AND PLACE SOMEWHERE VISIBLE.
- **FIRE & OTHER SAFETY** - FOLLOW GENERAL RULES FOR SMOKE ALARMS, CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS, AND FIRE EXTINGUISHERS. WHERE TO PLACE THEM, HOW OFTEN TO CHECK BATTERIES ETC.
- **IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS** - MAKE COPIES OF IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS SUCH AS INSURANCE, BIRTH CERTIFICATES, DRIVER'S LICENCE, ETC. KEEP WITH YOUR PLAN, AND PUT IN A SAFE PLACE.



SAFETY FOR ALL

NO TWO HOUSEHOLDS ARE THE SAME. WHEN BUILDING YOUR FAMILY EMERGENCY PLAN, BE MINDFUL OF THE SPECIAL NEEDS AND CONSIDERATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS IN YOUR OWN HOUSEHOLD. BY EVALUATING YOUR UNIQUE NEEDS, YOU CAN BETTER PREPARE FOR ANY SITUATION.

BUILD A KIT

- **FOOD** (NON-PERISHABLE AND EASY-TO-PREPARE ITEMS, ENOUGH FOR 3 DAYS) AND A MANUAL CAN OPENER
- **BOTTLED WATER** (4 LITRES PER PERSON FOR EACH DAY)
- **MEDICATION(S)**
- **FLASHLIGHT**
- **RADIO** (CRANK OR BATTERY-RUN)
- **EXTRA BATTERIES**
- **FIRST-AID KIT**
- **CANDLES AND MATCHES/LIGHTER**
- **HAND SANITIZER OR MOIST TOWELETTES**
- **IMPORTANT PAPERS** (IDENTIFICATION, CONTACT LISTS, COPIES OF PRESCRIPTIONS, ETC.)
- **EXTRA CAR KEYS AND CASH**
- **WHISTLE** (TO ATTRACT ATTENTION, IF NEEDED)
- **ZIP-LOCK BAG** (TO KEEP THINGS DRY)
- **GARBAGE BAGS**

If an emergency happens in your community, it may take emergency workers some time to reach you. You should be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for a minimum of **72 hours**.

STAY CONNECTED

DURING AN EMERGENCY

- **GET THE LATEST UPDATES BY ON TWITTER BY FOLLOWING @OntarioWARNINGS.**
- **Keep calls and texts short and brief to reduce network congestion.**
- **Don't call 911 unless a life is at stake.**
- **Don't waste battery life on mobile games, apps and videos. Dim your screen to preserve power critical communication.**
- **Forward your home phone to your mobile phone if you're forced to evacuate.**
- **Alert ready is canada's emergency alerting system. Alert ready delivers critical and potentially life-saving alerts to Canadians through television, radio, and lte-connected and compatible wireless devices.**



ALERT READY
EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

Alert Ready in Ontario is part of a [national service](#) designed to deliver critical and potentially life-saving emergency alert messages to Canadians. Emergency alerts are distributed on radio, TV and compatible wireless devices to help ensure that Ontarians have the critical information they need in emergencies to take necessary precautions to protect themselves and their families.

In Ontario, you can also [subscribe to receive emergency alerts](#) via SMS and email.

More information about Alert Ready in Ontario and to check compatibility of your wireless devices is available at ontario.ca/beprepared

Follow us on Twitter and Facebook to get the latest emergency information and tips on how you can prepare for an emergency.



**IS YOUR FAMILY
PREPARED?**

STAY INFORMED!

BE PREPARED !

- **RESOURCES**

- TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, VISIT GETPREPARED.CA OR ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE AT M.GETPREPARED.CA

- **ENVIRONMENT CANADA WEATHER OFFICE** WWW.WEATHEROFFICE.GC.CA

1-900-565-4455; A \$2.99 PER-MINUTE CHARGE APPLIES CHECK THE BLUE PAGES IN YOUR LOCAL PHONEBOOK UNDER WEATHER FOR WEATHER REPORTS AND FORECASTING AVAILABLE BY PHONE.

- **CANADIAN RED CROSS** WWW.REDCROSS.CA/PREPARE

613-740-1900 OR CHECK FOR YOUR LOCAL BRANCH PHONE NUMBER.

- **ST. JOHN AMBULANCE** WWW.SJA.CA

613-236-7461 OR CHECK FOR YOUR LOCAL BRANCH PHONE NUMBER. TOLL-FREE: 1-888-840-5646

- **SALVATION ARMY** WWW.SALVATIONARMY.CA

416-425-2111 OR CHECK FOR YOUR LOCAL BRANCH PHONE NUMBER.

- **ONTARIO**

OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

TELEPHONE: (647) 329-1100 / TOLL-FREE 24 HOUR LINE: 1-800-565-1842

WWW.ONTARIO.CA/BEPREPARED