

## EVACUATION

- Follow instructions given by local emergency authorities when evacuating;
- Register at the evacuation center before evacuating, and at the reception center once you have arrived at your destination;
- Baggage restrictions may apply, be prepared to limit yourself to one bag per person;
- Make preparations for your pets in case you are required to leave them behind;
- Host communities provide temporary accommodations for evacuees, this could mean staying in an evacuation shelter, a school or staying with friends or relatives;
- Meals may be catered or evacuees may be provided with meal vouchers for the duration of their stay; and
- Regular information sessions will be held for evacuees at a designated location, typically being the reception center or municipal offices.

### Evacuation Kit

The length of an evacuation can be unpredictable, however evacuees should be prepared for at least seven days. Your evacuation kit should include the following items: appropriate clothing for season, all necessary medication, infant care items, personal items (toiletries, cash, credit cards, cell phone, etc.), personal identification and important documents.



For more information visit  
the following websites:

[www.maca.gov.nt.ca](http://www.maca.gov.nt.ca)

[www.GetPrepared.ca](http://www.GetPrepared.ca)

[www.weather.gc.ca](http://www.weather.gc.ca)

Don't forget to check your community  
website or office for public safety information.

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## PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES: FLOODS

Not all surprises are welcome.  
Emergencies strike quickly  
and without warning.



BE PREPARED  
STAY INFORMED  
STAY SAFE

BE READY.



# FLOODING IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

The risk of flooding is high for a number of communities in the NWT. Most flooding occurs along the Mackenzie River and other waterways as a result of ice jams during the spring break-up period.

## BE PREPARED:

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before the flood

- Make a household emergency plan and kit;
- Prepare to evacuate bringing only essential items;
- Ensure that fuel tanks, water tanks and sewage tanks are secured so that they don't float away or get damaged;
- Shut off all power to your home;
- Unplug your electrical appliances; and
- Secure belongings stored in and around the house and on your property out of harms way.

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## STAY INFORMED:

during the flood

- Contact your community government to find out flood risk information;
- Listen to local radio stations and check weather for warnings;
- Be familiar with your community plan and know where your community's reception center is located; and
- Evacuate when notified by authorities.

## STAY SAFE:

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after the flood

- Return home only when authorities say it is safe;
- Check with authorities on safety of water supply;
- Be aware, food left in your home may be spoiled or contaminated;
- Disinfect everything that may have gotten wet to sanitize and control mold growth;
- Use caution when driving as roads may be unsafe; and
- Use caution near downed power lines and flooded areas.

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If you are impacted by flooding you may be eligible for financial assistance. To determine eligibility or for additional information, contact the MACA Superintendent for your Region.



Emergency preparedness is everyone's responsibility.

Residents are responsible to be prepared and to take reasonable measures to protect their property from the damaging effects of floods.

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