

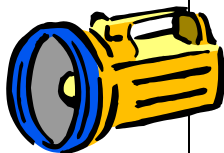
DO YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY SURVIVAL KIT?

Everyone should be prepared to take care of themselves and their families for at least three days in the event of an emergency. No community is equipped to handle all the demands of a catastrophe. Help your community by preparing yourself.

Preparing An Emergency Survival Kit:

Everyone should be prepared to take care of themselves and their families for at least 3 days. Your easy-to-carry emergency survival kit (in case you have to evacuate) should include:

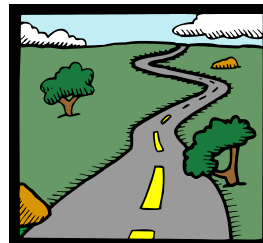
- Flashlight and batteries
- Battery operated/crank radio
- Water (4 L per person per day)
- Non perishable food
- Toilet paper and personal items
- Candles and matches
- Extra clothing and footwear
- Blankets and/or sleeping bags
- Medication
- First-aid kit
- Whistle and cash



DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE ASKED TO EVACUATE?

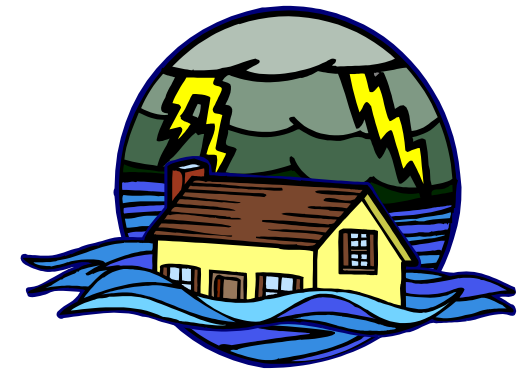
If authorities ask you to leave your home, they have a good reason for making that request and you should heed their advice immediately.

- Listen to local radio / TV
- Follow Town website & social media www.town.minto.on.ca
- Wear long sleeve shirts, pants and sturdy shoes to protect as much as possible
- Lock your home
- Take your emergency survival kit
- Take a cellular phone if you have one
- Use the travel routes specified by authorities



FLOOD AWARE

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO PROTECT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY



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**YOU LIVE OR WORK IN AN
AREA POTENTIALLY AFFECTED
BY FLOODING OF THE
CENTRAL RIVER**

The Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act requires municipalities to undertake a Hazard Identification and Risk Assessments for their communities. Flooding of the Maitland River has been identified as a high risk for the urban centre of Harriston. The Town of Minto has a plan in place to coordinate a response to any potential flood in order to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the residents.

As a resident or business owner in Harriston it is important that you have your own plan in place to respond should a flood occur in Harriston. This brochure is being sent to you as your property has been identified as being located in the flood prone area of the Maitland River.

The Maitland River has flooded before at different levels throughout Harriston and has cause property damage to residences and businesses. The purpose of this brochure is to provide you with some basic information to help you "Be better prepared" to protect you and your family should another flood occur



FLOOD WARNINGS



The Maitland Valley Conservation Authority is responsible for forecasting where and when flooding is likely to occur and issuing flood warnings.

FLOOD ADVISORY

The potential for flooding exists within specific watercourses and municipalities.

FLOOD WARNING

Flooding is imminent or occurring within specific watercourses and municipalities.

FLOOD SAFETY BULLETIN

Unsafe lake, river and channel conditions exist.

When the Town of Minto receives a flood message from the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority, the public will be notified immediately through the media. A relationship has been established with CKNX 101.7 FM and 920 AM radio and in the event of a flood advisory or warning, CKNX 101.7 FM and 920 AM will relay municipally issued public action directives about the recommended actions the public should take to protect themselves, their family and their property.

Remember...

Sometimes flash or sudden flooding can occur without warning. If it has been raining hard for several hours or raining steadily for several days, be alert to the possibility of a flood.

**KNOW WHAT TO DO
WHEN A FLOOD
ADVISORY, WARNING
OR BULLETIN IS ISSUED**

When a FLOOD ADVISORY Is Issued . . .

- Move your furniture and valuables to higher floors of your home
- Fill your car's gas tank, in case an evacuation order is issued

When a FLOOD WARNING Is Issued . . .

- Listen to local radio stations for information and advice. If told to evacuate, do so as soon as possible

When a FLOOD SAFETY BULLETIN Is Issued . . .

- Stay away from rivers, streams and other watercourses
- Speak to your children and remind them of the dangers of playing near rivers, streams and other watercourses

When a **FLOOD ADVISORY** or **FLOOD WARNING** is issued, the Town of Minto will provide regular updates. Residents with questions or concerns may call:

519-338-2511

Also watch the Town's website and social media pages for updates