

# Flood Safety Tips



# **SEEK SHELTER**

- The best shelters are on higher ground (ie: upper floors, attics, roofs)
- If driving, stay in your car or climb onto the roof if water gets inside



# **CHECK THE WEATHER FORECAST**

- o Stay informed with the Environment Canada weather forecast
- News reports and weather updates are helpful to determine when your area is safe



# **UNPLUG APPLIANCES**

- If you can, unplug appliances to protect from damage caused by power outages.
- DO NOT use corded electronics to protect them from power surges



#### **PROTECT YOUR BELONGINGS**

- o Bring in any outdoor furniture or secure it to the ground
- o Move valuables to higher ground
- Consider purchasing insurance policies to cover flood damage



#### **HAVE A PLAN**

- Be prepared to evacuate in the event of an emergency
- Have an emergency preparedness kit ready to take with you
- Follow instructions from authorities in the event of an evacuation



# **BE AWARE**

- DO NOT walk, swim, or drive through flood waters
- Stay off bridges over fast-moving water
- Avoid wading in floodwater, which can contain dangerous debris and be contaminated

# FOR MORE INFORMATION...

- <a href="https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/hzd/flds-en.aspx">https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/hzd/flds-en.aspx</a>
- <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/floods">https://www.ontario.ca/page/floods</a>