

After a Flood: Sewage

Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change (ECC) recommends that you prepare for emergencies at work and at home. Emergencies can include hurricanes, floods, winter storms and power outages.

- Your home should be stocked with a three-day supply of water, canned and dried foods and prescription medicines as well as emergency supplies such as flashlights, a battery-operated or hand-crank radio, batteries, a first-aid kit and a thermometer.
- In the event of an emergency, alerts will be broadcast through Alert Ready on radio stations and cable providers, as well as Twitter and Facebook through the Emergency Management Office.
- More information on emergency plans and emergency supply kits is available from the [Nova Scotia Emergency Management Office](#).

Cleaning up sewage from your house

To protect your health, your house, and your belongings, deal with the flood right away. First steps after a flood in your home:

- Avoid electrical shock. Shut off power to the flooded area.
- Contact your insurance agency (and municipality, if applicable). Document the event.
- Hire a professional cleaner, if possible. Take safety precautions if dealing with the flood yourself.
- Have the water removed within 48 hours to lower the chance of mold growth.

For more information visit: [Cleaning up Sewage from your Basement](#)