



Emergency

Preparedness

Before

Prepare your home and essentials

- Charge phones, laptops, and portable battery packs.
- Keep flashlights, blankets, and warm clothing easily accessible.
- Stock essential medications, food, water, and pet supplies.
- Update your contact information with your power company.
- Avoid unnecessary travel, especially during icy conditions.
- Check weather alerts and local guidance regularly.

Protect pipes and heating

- Let indoor faucets drip slightly to help prevent pipes from freezing.
- Open cabinet doors under sinks to allow warm air to circulate.
- Keep your thermostat set to a consistent temperature, even overnight.
- Check weather alerts and local guidance regularly.

During

If power or travel is impacted

- Stay indoors and off the roads when conditions are unsafe.
- Use flashlights instead of candles when possible.
- Check on neighbors, especially seniors or those with mobility challenges, only if it is safe to do so.

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Help Others

Helping starts close to home

- Check in on elderly neighbors or those with limited mobility.
- Offer help gathering supplies before roads become unsafe
- Share trusted information and resources.
- Know when to call for assistance versus waiting for conditions to improve.
- If you see someone in immediate danger, call 911.



Do Not

What not to do

- Do not use grills, stoves, or ovens to heat your home.
- Avoid space heaters unless they are approved and used according to safety guidelines.
- Drive unless absolutely necessary.

**For More
Information
Call 211**

