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What should I do after a flood?

To help with the recent flooding questions people have, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has created a list of resources to help in the recovery process and mitigation efforts. This information can be found by going to

<http://www.fema.gov/hazard/midwestfloods.shtm>

If you want to stay on top of the National Flood Insurance Program, browse to

<http://agents.floodsmart.gov>



AGENTS.FLOODSMART.GOV
A FloodSmart site for NFIP agents

The following tips may be helpful to know prior to returning to flood-damaged areas:

Be aware of hazards. Check for any damage, including structural damage, before reentering the dwelling. The appropriate professionals should be contacted immediately if there is suspected damage to water, gas, electrical or sewer lines. Any water-damaged food should be thrown away! This includes any canned goods that have been in contact with the floodwaters. All water should be boiled until the water supply is declared safe to drink.

Take photographs. To make the claim process easier, take pictures or video of any water in the house and damage to personal property. The adjuster needs evidence of the damage.

Make a list of damaged and lost items. On this list should be the age and value if possible. Keep swatches of items that are required to be disposed of. Any available receipts for the damaged items, itemized lists, pictures and swatches should be given to the adjuster.

Prevent mold by removing all wet contents as soon as possible.

Do not enter a flood damaged dwelling alone!

The American Red Cross offers a free *Repairing Your Flooded Home* guide. You can acquire this guide by clicking on this email.

For FEMA Disaster Assistance call 1-800-621-3362. All flood insurance questions can be called in to 1-800-427-4661.

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To prevent future uninsured losses, give Grand General a call for a quote or visit our website for a Flood Quote Request Form. Be sure to offer flood insurance on all property quotes!



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