



## Family and Individual Flood Preparedness Checklist

- Talk About The Risk** - Talk to your family and friends about the risk of flooding and how you can respond. Identify family members who may need assistance before and during a flood and make sure their needs are covered.
- Protect Your Vehicles** - Move boats and other vehicles to higher ground. Make sure boats are accessible in case they are needed during the flood.
- Make A Plan** - Make a family emergency plan so family members know their responsibilities, including children. Make a family communication plan so people know how to communicate. Write down important phone numbers, social media accounts, and other contact information and give a copy to each family member.
- Have A Go-Bag Ready** - In case of evacuation have your go-bag ready. Make sure to include your identification, wallet and important papers. Have a change of clothes, medication and any personal hygiene items that you may need. Each family member should have a go-bag.
- Gather Critical Paperwork** - Gather critical documents like deeds, titles, birth and marriage certificates, identification, insurance and other documents. Place critical documents in a waterproof bag and in a safe place.
- Elevate And Flood Proof** - Move things out of reach from rising water. Placing items in water proof containers or plastic bags can prevent damage or loss. Put items on counter tops, shelves, rooftops or anywhere outside the reach of flood waters. Fast rising flood waters may not give you enough time to protect valuables when flooding occurs.
- Support Community Preparedness-** Talk to your community leaders and know your community flood plan. Identify the community's shelter and what support is needed to make it ready.
- Be Pet Prepared** – Gather pet food and supplies, and identify where pets can be relocated and/or sheltered during the flood event. Do not set pets free as this can become a nuisance to neighbors and other animals.
- Keep Up To Date On Conditions** – Get your information from trusted sources like community leaders, local media, response organizations, River Watch teams, and the Alaska River Forecast Center.
  - Visit the Alaska River Forecast Center at [weather.gov/aprfc/](https://www.weather.gov/aprfc/)