

Stanford University Environmental Health & Safety



Winter Storm Preparedness and Response

Winter storms are here! Stanford emergency officials are monitoring storm conditions closely, and are ready to respond to weather emergencies. When severe weather or flooding occurs, know how to protect your safety at home and at work. Here are some basic tips:

Before the storm



store essential supplies

- Keep an emergency kit handy at home and at work. Include:
 - -Battery radio, flashlights and extra batteries
 - -First aid kit
 - -Extra drinking water
- Keep plastic sheeting, sandbags, and lumber for waterproofing emergency repairs
- Know safe alternate routes, along high ground, between home and campus



During a severe storm 😓 Be alert

- Report police, fire, and medical emergencies to **9-911** (**286** at Medical Center)
- Report facilities problems (outages, flooding) to Work Control **3-2281**
- Be prepared for electricity, telephone, and water service interruptions
- Use flashlights, rather than candles, for emergency light
- Listen to KZSU (90.1 FM) or local media reports for the storm and traffic updates.
- Call the Stanford Emergency Information Hotlines to hear special bulletins
 - -Campus Reports
 - -Student Bulletins
 - -Hospital Information
- Never try to cross flowing streams of water-- you can be swept away in inches of water



When driving drive slowly and cautiously



- Avoid low-lying areas and underpasses.Beware of downed power lines and debris.
- Do not cross flooded roads. You can get stranded, even in shallow water.
- Do not enter areas that are posted or blocked with emergency signage.
- Follow emergency instructions.
- If you must evacuate, disconnect electrical equipment if it is safe to do so.
- Take your keys and valuables.

After the emergency As the storm and flooding subside

- Report campus facilities problems to Work Control 3-2281
- · Continue to listen to media advisories and campus safety bulletins
- Do not handle electrical equipment in wet areas

When it's all over replenish those emergency preparedness supplies!

For more emergency preparedness information, call Stanford Environmental Health & Safety at 725-1409 or Stanford Public Safety at 723-0609.

Here are some helpful URLs on emergency preparedness

- http://www.nws.mbay.net/elnino.html
 - -up to date weather advisories from the National Weather Service
- http://www.fema.gov/fema/wsuc.htm
 - -Preparedness tips for your household
 - -Flood Insurance information
- <u>http://www.maxwell.com/yahootraffic/SF/</u>
 - -Current conditions on Bay Area roads, bridges
- <u>http://ceres.ca.gov/flood/</u>
 - -California Flood Information

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