

PREPARING TO EVACUATE?

A practical guide



THINK

In case of an evacuation, you may want to consider the following:

1. Do you have insurance?

This may provide you with temporary accommodation. Please call your provider.

2. Do you have friends or family you could stay with?

Facilities at the reception centre will be limited.

3. Do you have any pets?

Think about where they could go and how you will get them there.

4. Do you have any medical needs?

Bring your prescriptions, equipment, and medication with you.

5. Do you have any appointments, home care or deliveries due in the next few days? Ensure you have the contact details with you.

Do you need to contact other members of your household? Children at school, those at work, cared for people.

7. If asked to evacuate, how will you travel? Can you use a personal vehicle, or will you rely on public transport.

DO

Please follow the advice of the local authority and emergency services if they ask you to evacuate. The local authority will provide a facility where evacuees can gather and get further information.

Take Action

- Pack your grab bag with necessary items if you haven't already done so. Have it ready to take with you.
- 2. If you have a household or community emergency plan, start following the plan.
- 3. Contact your friends or family to arrange somewhere to stay, including pets if necessary.
- Consider moving items upstairs or raising furniture off the ground if there is a risk of water entering your property.
- 5. If you have pets, find a pet carrier or lead.



CHECK

Things to check before leaving your property, if it is safe to do so:

- Turn off your gas, electricity and water
- Dress in warm comfortable clothing, preferably clothing that will keep you dry
- Take your wallet or purse and money
- Ensure your valuables are stored safely
- Bring special medication, dietary, baby, and pet food
- O Bring your mobile phone and charger
- Finally, secure or lock your property



Where to find more information

The following sources of information may be useful in an emergency:

Oxfordshire County Council website

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk

BBC Oxford - 95.2 FM Jack FM - 106 FM Jack FM 2 - 107.9 FM Banbury Sound - 107.6 FM



Emergency Contacts

If you are in immediate danger, call 999.

Oxfordshire County Council: 01865 792422

District Councils:

Cherwell West Oxfordshire Oxford City Vale of White Horse South Oxfordshire 01295 227001 01993 861000 01865 249811 01235 520202 01491 823000



Need more information?

Oxfordshire County Council

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