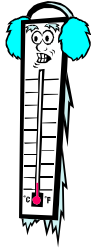


IF YOU HAVE TO EVACUATE YOUR HOME:

- ❑ turn off the main breaker of the power supply box
- ❑ turn off the water main where it enters the house and protect the valve, inlet pipe and meter or pump with blankets or insulation
- ❑ drain water from your plumbing system by opening all the taps starting at the top of the house. Flush toilets several times. Open the drain valve in the basement. Drain water heater (be sure pilot light is out). Turn off laundry taps. Pour a small amount of antifreeze into toilets, sink and tub drains.



ALTERNATIVE HEATING TIPS:

- ❑ You can install a non-electric standby or stove heater. Choose a unit that is not dependent on electricity to run fans or motors. Be sure you have the proper venting and chimney flue for the unit you have.
- ❑ Before buying an emergency generator, check with a professional or the manufacturer regarding power requirements and proper operating procedures.
- ❑ Be sure candles are in proper holders and never leave lit candles unattended. Keep all candles, lanterns, etc. well out of reach of small children.

REMEMBER:



Even in very cold weather, a house with doors and windows closed will not become too cold for comfort for several hours.

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In Saskatchewan, we are prone to several climate based emergencies such as winter storms, heavy snowfalls, cold temperatures and power failures.



Here is a checklist for you to use in your home from the City of Melfort and the Melfort EMO.

HAVE AN EMERGENCY PLAN FOR YOUR FAMILY.

MAKE A LIST OF EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS.

EMERGENCY FOOD & WATER KIT:

Have on hand at least 3 days supply of food and water. Choose ready to eat foods that do not require refrigeration.

Drinking Water

- one litre per adult per day



Food

- canned soups, stews, beans, pasta, meat, vegetables and fruit
- crackers and biscuits
- honey, peanut butter, syrup, jam, salt & pepper, sugar, instant coffee, juice

Equipment

- disposable knives, forks, spoons, cups and plates
- manual can and bottle openers
- fuel stove and fuel (allow proper ventilation and follow manufacturer's instructions). *Do not use BBQs indoors.*
- waterproof matches and large garbage bags

Think of special supplies your family may need:

- baby supplies, medications, eye glasses, pet supplies, etc.



EMERGENCY SURVIVAL KIT:



- flashlights and extra batteries
- battery operated radio and extra batteries
- first aid kit
- candles and matches/lighters
- personal ID for everyone
- extra blankets
- toilet paper and personal supplies
- backpack/duffel bag to carry survival kit as well as one change of clothes and one sleeping bag & pillow for each person in case you need to evacuate
- whistle in case you need to attract attention
- extra car keys and a **small** amount of cash



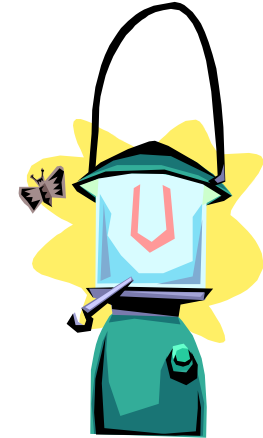
CAR KIT:

- ice scraper and brush
- shovel
- sand (or kitty litter)
- blankets
- candles in a deep can
- waterproof matches
- tow chain, rope or strap
- food bars (granola, chocolate, etc.)
- booster cables
- first aid kit
- road maps
- methyl hydrate to de-ice fuel line
- fire extinguisher
- flares



Always keep your gas tank at least half full

- If your home does not have an alternate heat source, make arrangements in advance with friends or relatives who do.
- Be prepared to check on neighbors and relatives who may need help and arrange for someone to check on you.



REMEMBER:



There is no central emergency shelter for the community in the event of a power failure. It is the individual's responsibility to have an Emergency Plan