

A flood can make buildings unsafe and uninhabitable. You and your family may need to evacuate your home, workplace, or school.

## Communicate! Don't wait until it's too late.

Do you have an evacuation plan ready? In an emergency, every second matters. If family members must evacuate suddenly, you will want to know how or where to find each other. If children become separated from their parents, make sure they can remember an emergency phone number.

## Ready to talk to your family? Start here!

- How will I receive emergency alerts and warnings?
- What is my shelter plan?
- What is my evacuation route?
- What is my family/household communication plan?
- Do I need to update my emergency preparedness kit?



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### Create a Plan

Start by making a family communications plan at [ready.gov/](http://ready.gov/) - but don't stop there! Make sure you go over the plan with your family.

### Practice Together

Have a little fun getting familiar with your evacuation plan. Try quizzing your family on important information that they should have memorized, such as your family meeting location, an emergency phone number, and the names of all members of the family. You can even hold a timed drill. Try evacuating with everyone starting in different rooms. Signal an evacuation and see how long it takes to assemble in your designated meeting spot.

Don't worry if the drill doesn't go perfectly, you can always run it again! With lots of practice, your family will follow the emergency plan calmly and confidently.