SEVERE WEATHER SURVIVAL TIPS

How to stay safe during a flood when you live outdoors

WHAT WILL YOU DO IN SEVERE WEATHER?

IF YOU ARE OUTDOORS

- Move to higher ground.
- Be aware of streams, drainage channels, canyons, and other areas known to flood suddenly.
- Do NOT walk through moving water; six inches of moving water can make you fall. Walk where the water is not moving. Use a stick to check the firmness of the ground in front of you.
- Do not get in a vehicle if it is in floodwater.
- Do not camp along streams, rivers, or creeks during heavy rain or when it has been raining for a long time.

REMEMBER

- Tropical storms and hurricanes, spring thaw, heavy rain, and failed levees and dams can cause floods.
- A flood can develop slowly or within minutes with no visible sign of rain.

When camping outdoors during rainy weather, always stay above the flood plain - the area along a stream or river that is likely to flood.
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