

FOCA Presentation



WHY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



DID YOU KNOW?

- Ontario has 40% of Canada's population
 - 7th largest province/state; 5th by 2020*
- Approx. 50% of Canadian chemicals are manufactured in Ontario
- Almost every large municipality has a hazardous facility located within its boundaries

**Based on Canadian and US census data*



DID YOU KNOW?

- Because of the levels of industry and also because of the number of transportation hubs and routes, Ontario has the most road and rail accidents involving hazardous products. Usually around 60% of the Canadian total
- A increasing % of Ontario's electricity comes from its 21 nuclear reactors



DID YOU KNOW?

- Ontario averages 14 tornadoes per year and 125 potentially severe weather incidents including:
 - thunderstorms,
 - tropical depressions,
 - blizzards, ice and snow storms
- A potential exists for earthquakes in Ontario





DID YOU KNOW?

- In the summer, we usually have between 1500 and 2000 forest fires each year
- Floods are a common occurrence in a province with thousands of lakes and rivers



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ONTARIO

Personal Preparedness
Are You Ready?



Prepare Now, Learn How!

- Emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere
- Each year, thousands of Canadian families face emergency situations that could change their lives forever





Prepare Now, Learn How!

Emergency Planning For Your Family – The Five Step Guide

- ✓ Identify the risks
- ✓ Prepare a family emergency plan
- ✓ Assemble your emergency kits
- ✓ Check emergency plans
- ✓ Practice as a family

PDF version available at

www.psepc.gc.ca/promo/indexw_e.asp



EMERGENCIES CAN THREATEN

- Public Health





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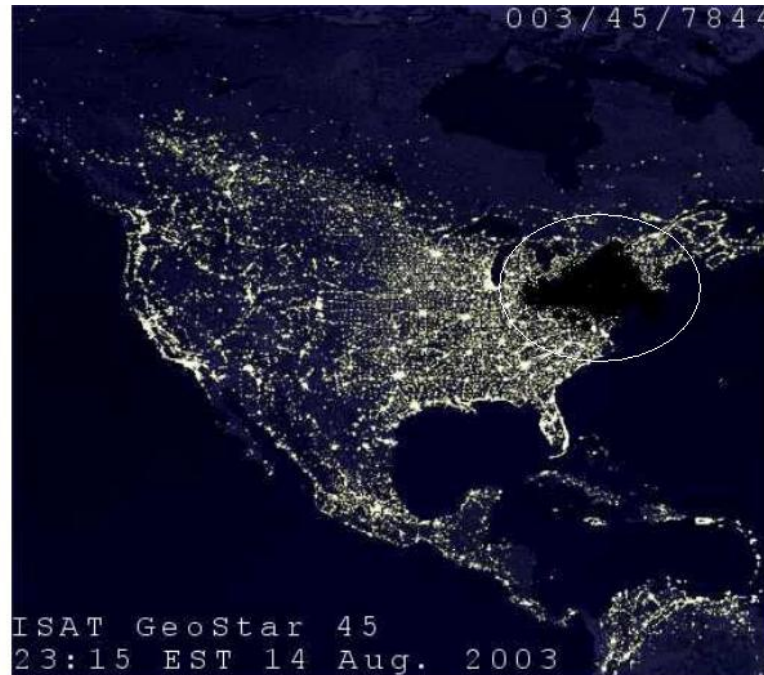
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EMERGENCIES CAN THREATEN

- Critical infrastructure





EMERGENCIES CAN THREATEN

- Property



EMERGENCIES CAN THREATEN

- Economic Stability





PREPARING YOURSELF IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

- What are the risks in your community?
- What has happened in the past and what could happen in the future?



PREPARING YOURSELF IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

Considerations for seasonal residents:

Know how to access information

- Municipal enquiry lines and websites
- Local radio stations/media
- Do not abuse the 911 system!
- Do you have an accurate assessment of your situation?



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Considerations for seasonal residents:

Access roads:

- Who is responsible for maintenance? [Private or public (assumed) road?]
- What is the standard of maintenance?
- Is the standard affected by the season?
- Is it a dead-end road? If so, is it safe to evacuate [know the risks]
- Is it accessible by first response vehicles?



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Considerations for seasonal residents:

Off-season:

- Who knows you're there?
- Retailers reduce inventories [food chains & pharmacies].
- Service providers often reduce staffing levels



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Considerations for seasonal residents:

Know who is in your community:

- Vulnerable populations: *elderly, people with disabilities, the very young, the chronically ill*
- Potential volunteers: *first responders, health care professionals, trades people*



PREPARING YOURSELF IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

Avoid putting yourself at risk!

Do not attempt response or recovery efforts that place you in harms way or that you are not properly equipped for!

Remember there are limited resources available and response time for first responders may be delayed!



YOU NEED A PLAN ...

Home
& Cottage



Work



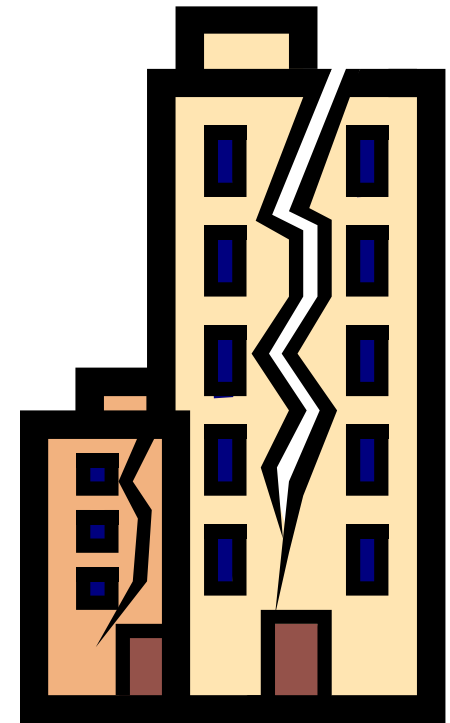
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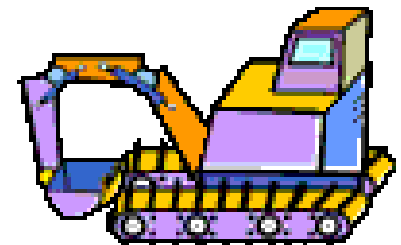
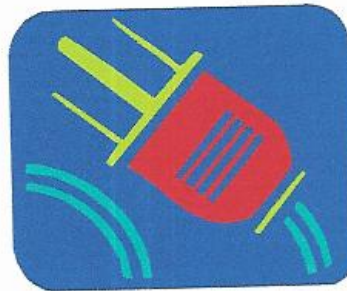
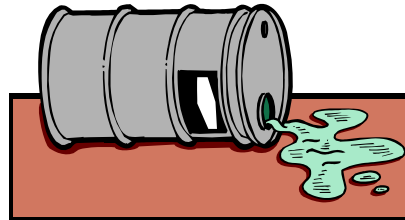
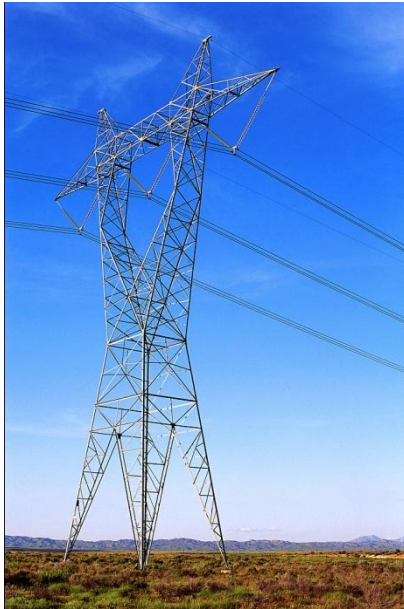


NATURAL EMERGENCIES



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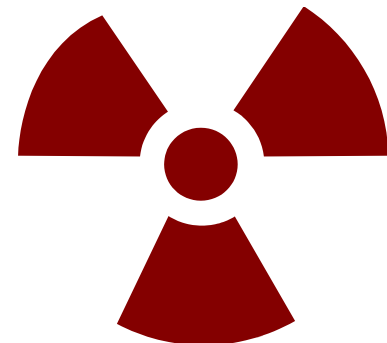
TECHNOLOGICAL EMERGENCIES





STEP 1: Identify The Risks

HUMAN-CAUSED EMERGENCIES





STEP 1: Identify The Risks

- Prepare a list of risks that you are most likely to face and think about how they might affect your family



Does your insurance policy cover all of the dangers you might encounter? Call your insurance provider and find out! [Seasonal residences are ineligible for ODRAP]



STEP 2: Prepare Your Family Emergency Plan

- Choose an out-of-area contact someone each member of the family can call or e-mail in case of an emergency
 - This person can help family members stay in touch and get together if they are separated
 - Be sure to pick someone who is likely not going to be affected by the same situation
 - Who knows your at the cottage?





STEP 2: Prepare Your Family Emergency Plan

- Locate temporary accommodation possibilities, such as a friend's house or a hotel, where you can stay for a few days in the event you are evacuated
 - This may be where family members will meet if they are separated during the disaster
 - When choosing temporary accommodation locations, remember that bridges could be out and roads blocked
 - **Don't forget your pets** – they are not always welcome at emergency shelters





STEP 2: Prepare Your Family Emergency Plan

Review Family Emergency Plan Wallet Cards

also

Consider “ICE” [In Case of Emergency]:

Numbers stored in cell phone memory under the heading “ICE” for ease of access by first responders in the event of an emergency. Now nationally recognized.



STEP 3: Assemble Emergency Kits

Prepare Now, Learn How... Emergency Survival Checklist*

* Three-day supply per person

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight and batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing and footwear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio and batteries or crank radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Blankets or sleeping bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spare batteries (for radio or flashlight) | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper and other personal items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-aid Kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Medication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Candles and matches/lighter | <input type="checkbox"/> Backpack/duffel bag (to hold all of the emergency survival kit items) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra car keys and cash | <input type="checkbox"/> Whistle (to attract attention, if needed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Important papers (identification) | <input type="checkbox"/> Playing cards, games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food and bottled water | |



For more information, visit:
www.emergencymanagementontario.ca



STEP 3: Assemble Emergency Kits

Emergency Kit Tips...

- Keep enough water and non-perishable food to meet your needs for at least 3-days
- Check the food and water once every year
- Each member of the family could have their own personal survival kit in a backpack in case you need to evacuate (easier to carry)
- Always try to keep your gas tank at least half full, especially in the winter



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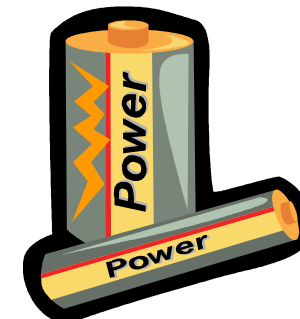
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- Radio and batteries or crank radio



- Spare batteries (for radio and flashlight)





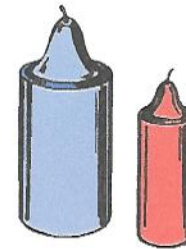
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- First-Aid Kit



- Candles and matches/lighter

[battery/crank lanterns are preferred]



- Extra car keys and cash





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- Important papers (identification, house insurance)



- Food and bottled water

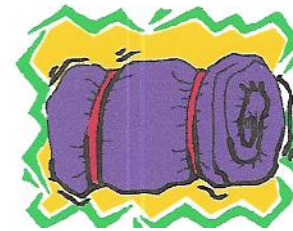


- Clothing and footwear

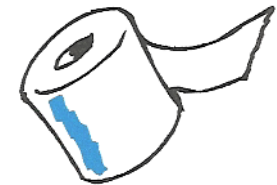


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- Blankets or sleeping bags

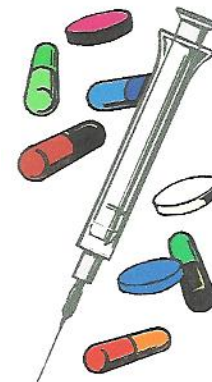


- Toilet paper and other personal items



- Medication

[for chronic illness consult your Physician]



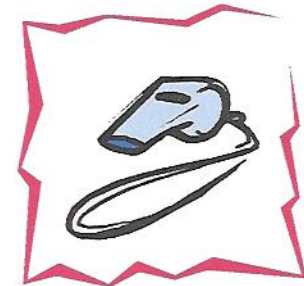


STEP 3: Assemble Emergency Kits

- Backpack/duffel bag (to hold all of the emergency survival kit items)



- Whistle (to attract attention, if needed)



- Playing cards, games



STEP 3: Assemble Emergency Kits

Prepare a smaller survival kit for your car and office





STEP 4: Check Emergency Plans

Check With Your Children's School/Daycare...

- In an emergency, will your child's school keep your children until an authorized adult arrives or will your children need to make their own way home?
- What authorization does the school require to release your child to your representative if you are not able to get there?
- Does the school have your current contact information and the contact information for any others authorized to collect your children in an emergency?





STEP 4: Check Emergency Plans

Check With Your Workplace....

- If you haven't already, find out about the emergency plan in your workplace
 - What is your role in an emergency?
 - What are the evacuation procedures?
- If you live in a different municipality than where you work, find out about your community's emergency management program





STEP 5: Practice As A Family

- Have a family exercise
 - Show family members how to turn off the water, electricity and gas
 - Show family members the location and how to use a fire extinguisher
 - Practice evacuating your home (remember your emergency survival kit)
- Update your family emergency plan regularly
- Check the contents of your emergency kits regularly





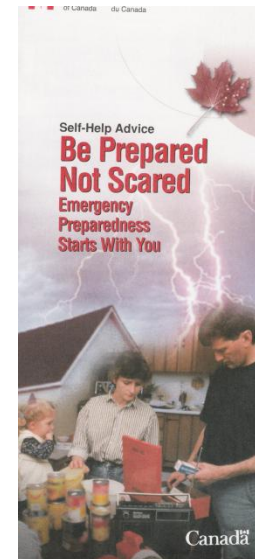
LEARN MORE!

- EMO produces the following Fact Sheets
 - Seniors and Emergencies
 - Children and Emergencies
 - Pets and Emergencies
 - Tips For High Winds and Severe Rainfall
 - Emergency Survival Kit
 - 9-1-1 and Emergencies
 - Emergency Management in Ontario
 - Provincial Nuclear Emergency Response Plan
 - Provincial Emergency Response Plan
- Available at
www.emergencymanagementontario.ca



LEARN MORE!

- PSEPC produces a series of self-help brochures that the public can access at www.psepc.gc.ca
 - Be Prepared, Not Scared
 - Prepared For The Unexpected
 - Floods
 - Severe Storms
 - Winter Driving
 - Earthquakes
 - Storm Surges
 - Prepared For The Woods
 - Winter Power Outages



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QUESTIONS?