



# **FASTENAL<sup>®</sup>**

## **Your Local, One-Stop Flood Preparedness Source**

Floods cause more damage and death than any other extreme weather event in the U.S. They can strike just about anywhere, from coastlines to deserts; and in the case of flash floods, you only have minutes to react – so it's crucial to prepare ahead of time. Fastenal can help. With more than 2,200 stores across North America, we're a local, one-stop source for the supplies you need to keep your business afloat when the waters start to rise.

### **Flood Preparedness Basics**

#### **Before**

- Elevate the furnace, water heater, electrical panel, and critical equipment.
- Install “check valves” in sewer traps to prevent flood water from backing up.
- Construct barriers (levees, beams, floodwalls, etc.) to stop floodwater from entering your facility.
- Seal walls in basements with waterproofing compounds.
- Stock up on drinking water and other emergency supplies (see back side for suggestions).

#### **During**

- Turn off utilities at the main switches and valves.
- Don't attempt to walk or drive through moving water – 6 inches of moving water can knock you over, and 2 feet of moving water can carry away most vehicles.

#### **After**

- Avoid floodwater – it may be contaminated and/or electrically charged.
- Listen for updates on a battery-powered radio or TV.
- Service damaged septic tanks and other sewage systems as soon as possible.
- Clean, disinfect, and dry everything that got wet.

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## Your One-Stop Preparedness Source

### Essential Gear

- Hard Hats
- Safety Glasses
- Respirator Masks
- Rain Jackets and Pants
- Coveralls
- Slush Boots
- Gloves

### Essential Accessories

- Batteries
- Flashlights
- Extension Cords
- Bottled Water

### Tools & Equipment

- Generators
- Cordless Power Drills
- Chainsaws
- Hammers
- Screwdrivers
- Wrenches
- Assorted Nails/Screws
- Tape Measures
- Utility Knives
- Pry Bars
- Chains
- Ropes
- Padlocks
- Shovels
- Wheelbarrows

### Sanitation

- First Aid Kits
- Insect Repellents
- Latex Gloves
- Hand Sanitizers
- Disinfectants
- Cleaning Products
- Wipers
- Waste Receptacles
- Trash Bags
- Zip Ties
- Storage Containers
- Coolers

### Water Removal Products

- Sump Pumps
- Wet/Dry Vacuums
- Discharge Hoses
- Carpet Dryers
- Fans
- Floor Squeegees

### Detection & Lighting

- Carbon Monoxide Alarms
- Gas Leak Detection
- Safety Gas Cans
- Glow Sticks
- Emergency Lights
- Head Lamps
- Flares



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