

Are You Ready
for
the Storm?



ASSEMBLE YOUR EMERGENCY KIT (AND A FEW OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER)

Now is the time to assemble your emergency supplies kit. Here's what the N.C. Department of Public Safety recommends:

- Water - one gallon per person per day for three to seven days
- Food – non-perishable and canned food supply for three to seven days
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio with extra batteries
- Cell phone with charger
- First-aid kit and first aid book
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Manual can opener for food
- Anti-bacterial hand wipes or gel
- Wrench or pliers to turn off water
- Blanket or sleeping bag – one per person
- Prescription medications and glasses
- Seasonal change of clothing, including sturdy shoes
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, feminine supplies
- Extra house and car keys
- Important documents – insurance policies, copy of driver's license, Social Security card, bank account records
- Fire extinguisher
- Cash and change
- Books, games, cards

For more information about preparing for emergencies, visit readync.org/EN/Plan_GetAKit.html.



Now is also a good time to

- secure any loose items outside (trash cans, patio furniture, etc.)
- trim trees that could fall on homes and other structures.
- Clean your house gutters may be a good idea as well.



GENERATOR SAFETY

Safety tips:

- Store your generator in a cool, dry area that's easy to get to.
- Generators produce carbon monoxide, which **can kill you** within minutes. **Always** use your generator in a well-ventilated area **outside**, away from open windows and doors.
- Don't connect your generator directly to your electrical panel or your home; it's dangerous and **illegal**.
- Pouring gasoline: Turn your generator off and let cool for 15-20 minutes before adding fuel.
- Periodically check the extension cord's temperature during use. If it's warm or hot to the touch, your wattage is too high for the cord to handle. Unplug immediately and choose an extension cord that can handle a higher wattage.



Generator safety tips



Only use
outside



Keep away
from vents
and windows



Let it cool
before you
refuel





HOW TO GET UPDATES FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

- 1) Town's main Facebook (facebook.com/townofgarner) and Twitter (twitter.com/townofgarner) accounts
- 2) Town website (garnernc.gov)
- 3) downloading our free "garner info" app for announcements and push notifications (available at the Apple App Store and Google Play Store)
- 4) signing up for [e-notifications](#) such as this one (subscribe to Town News and others).
- 5) Wake County also pushes out notifications through its [ReadyWake](#) system.