



CITY OF SEAL BEACH

STORM, FLOOD & POWER OUTAGE PREPAREDNESS

Prepare now. Stay informed. Protect your household.



BUILD TWO KITS

At least 7 days of supplies at home + a smaller portable evacuation kit



BEFORE THE STORM



BUILD YOUR KITS

- ☐ Store at least 7 days of water and food at home. Plan on 1 gallon of water per person or pet, per day.
- ☐ Pack a smaller, portable evacuation kit.
- ☐ Include flashlights, radio, batteries, first aid, medications, chargers, hygiene items, cash, and important documents.
- ☐ Add supplies for infants, older adults, disabilities or medical needs, and pets.



MAKE A PLAN

- ☐ Choose two meeting places and an out-of-area contact.
- ☐ Plan evacuation routes, transportation, sheltering, and pet care.
- ☐ Know school and work plans, and identify backup-power needs for medical equipment.
- ☐ Practice your household plan twice a year.



PREPARE YOUR PROPERTY

- ☐ Clear gutters, drains, and drainage paths. Report obstructed public storm drains to Public Works.
- ☐ Secure loose outdoor items. Inspect roofs, retaining walls, slopes, and drainage areas.
- ☐ Before rain, place trash cans 12 inches from the curb so gutters remain clear.
- ☐ Keep sandbags ready and park in your driveway where practical. Check City website and social media for current locations.



DURING THE STORM



FLOOD SAFETY

WATCH = flooding is possible

WARNING = occurring or soon

- ☐ Follow official alerts. If warned, move to higher ground and be ready to evacuate.
- ☐ Never walk or drive through floodwater. Turn around and use another route.
- ☐ Keep children and pets out of standing or moving water.
- ☐ Limit driving. Vehicle wakes can push water into parked cars and garages.



POWER OUTAGE SAFETY

- ☐ Use flashlights, not candles.
- ☐ Keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed. An unopened refrigerator stays cold about 4 hours; a full freezer about 48 hours.
- ☐ Unplug sensitive electronics, turn off appliances, and leave one light on.
- ☐ Operate generators only outdoors and away from doors, windows, and vents. Never connect a portable generator to home wiring.
- ☐ Stay away from downed lines. Call 9-1-1 first, then SCE.



AFTER THE STORM

Marine Safety recommends staying out of ocean water for 72 hours after significant rainfall.

- ☐ Return or reenter only when officials say it is safe.
- ☐ Discard food above 40°F for 2 hours or more.
- ☐ Avoid standing water, damaged lines, and gas odors or hissing.
- ☐ Wear boots and gloves. Keep children and pets away from hazards.



STAY INFORMED

AlertOC.com | Nixle: text 90740 to 888777 | @sealbeachpolice | @cityofsealbeachca

Current storm and sandbag information: City website and official social media



IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Emergency: 9-1-1
SBPD Dispatch: (562) 594-7232
Emergency Preparedness:
(562) 799-4100 ext. 1145

City Hall / Public Works:
(562) 431-2527
Marine Safety: (562) 430-2613
SCE: 1-800-611-1911



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