

Flooding Safety Tips

The Town of New Glarus would like to remind Town of New Glarus residents about the following safety tips when flooding is possible.

IF A FLOOD IS LIKELY IN YOUR AREA, YOU SHOULD:

- Listen to the radio or television for information.
- Be aware that flash flooding can occur. If there is any possibility of a flash flood, move immediately to higher ground. Do not wait for instructions to move.
- Be aware of streams, drainage channels, canyons, and other areas known to flood suddenly. Flash floods can occur in these areas with or without such typical warnings as rain clouds or heavy rain.
- Do not walk through moving water. Six inches of moving water can make you fall. If you have to walk in water, walk where the water is not moving. Use a stick to check the firmness of the ground in front of you.
- Do not drive into flooded areas. If floodwaters rise around your car, abandon the car and move to higher ground if you can do so safely. You and the vehicle can be quickly swept away.
- If a road has a barricade indicating the road is closed, **you should not drive around these barricades**. This could place citizens in a dangerous situation.

THE FOLLOWING ARE IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER WHEN DRIVING IN FLOOD CONDITIONS:

- Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible stalling.
- A foot of water will float many vehicles.
- Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles including sport utility vehicles (SUV's) and pick-ups.

If you notice a dangerous situation or high water in your area, contact **Green County Sheriff's Dispatch center at 608-328-9400**.