

STORM DAMAGE TIPS

Even if you haven't actually suffered whole house fire damage, the resulting smoke from any size fire can destroy the contents of your home or property. Our expert team of technicians can expertly clean and disinfect your home and contents in no time but here are a few basic tips to help you cope with the mess before help arrives.

- Start the claim process Call your insurance company or agent and begin the claim process.
- ✓ Document / mitigate the damage If the damage to your home is extensive, start taking photos of the property and documenting what was lost. If the damage is repairable, mitigate further damage by placing tarps on roofs or boarding up windows.
- Become familiar with your homeowners insurance policy Know what's in your policy. Also, review your policy and coverage limits annually to make sure the policy keeps pace with your needs and construction costs in your area.
- Consider Buying Flood Insurance Now is the time to consider flood insurance. Many homeowners do not realize that flood insurance must be purchased as a separate policy. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) administers the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), a program available to any property owner whether or not the property is in a floodplain. Contact us if you have any questions regarding flood insurance claims, our insurance claims experts can answer all of your questions.
- Develop a Home Inventory Checklist Before any disaster strikes, consumers should recognize the value in creating a home inventory checklist. You can also go room to room in your home documenting with video—be sure to store video in a safe, dry place away from the home.
- Keep away from downed power lines and report them to your utility company.
- Stay out of damaged buildings and homes until local emergency management officials or your disaster restoration company has indicated it is safe to go inside them.

Taking these easy and achievable steps can go a long way toward getting your life back to normal after a storm. If you are in need of more detailed storm damage information such as what do if you have fallen trees, or water damage call us—we're the storm damage experts.

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