GET READY IPSWICH

Your guide to living with disasters in our city



Make a household emergency plan

Create an emergency kit











Prepare your home

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PUBLIC HEALTH



Managing food safety

☐ store food and drinks away from potential contaminants, such as flood waters, chemicals



Throw out:

- ☐ food left unrefrigerated or above 5 degrees Celsius for 4+ hours
- ☐ frozen food after 48 hours (full freezer) or 24 hours (half full freezer)
- \square open, swollen or damaged canned food

Remember, if in doubt throw it out!

Drinking water

- $\hfill\Box$ check with water supplier it is safe to drink
- \square run taps for a few minutes
- ☐ clean tap and parts with hot water and detergent

Cleaning up your property

- $\hfill\square$ use personal protective equipment
- $\hfill\square$ use qualified tradesperson to undertake repairs
- □ turn off power, gas if building is damaged
- $\ \square$ wash hands with soap and clean water regularly
- ☐ throw away cracked or damaged items
- ☐ many buildings constructed in Queensland before 1990 may have used **asbestos containing materials**

Mould

Heat, humidity, and water cause mould to grow:

- \square avoid breathing in, touching or eating mould
- ☐ use a mould cleaning and killing solution
- ☐ throw out absorbent items if wet for 2+ days
- ☐ open windows and doors to air out rooms
- \square reduce sources of moisture where possible
- ☐ clean out and service air conditioning, ventilation units

Crops, pest animals and weed management

- ☐ check for new invasive plants and animals
- ☐ clean down farm and transport vehicles and machinery

Mosquito borne diseases

- $\hfill\Box$ remove pools of standing water
- ☐ check mosquito screens and valve flaps on rainwater tanks
- ☐ wear long, loose light coloured clothing, use repellent
- ☐ repair/replace damaged insect screens





EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION CHECKLIST



Food and water (three days' worth)	In a waterproof bag insurance and
□ non-perishable food	registration papers
☐ can opener, gas stove with fuel, utensils, plates, cutlery	☐ list of household goods☐ will, life insurance☐ house deeds/mortgage
☐ infant formula	documents
☐ drinking water (minimum of 5-10 litres per person per day, plus animals)	□ birth, marriage certificates□ passports, visa details□ medicare, pension cards
□ esky	☐ medical and healthcare
Medical and	provider records
sanitation	☐ bank details
(three days' worth)	□ copy of computer files
☐ first aid kit	□ copy of Household
essential medication, prescriptions	Emergency Plan — emergency contact
☐ sanitation provisions,	telephone numbers
including for animals	□ valuable items
☐ toiletries	Clothing and footwear
glasses - reading, sun	For everyone:
☐ sunscreen, insect repellent	☐ at least one complete
□ nappies	change of clothing and footwear, store in
Communications	plastic bags
□ portable, battery operated radio	☐ rain gear, long sleeve shirts and trousers
= extra batteries	☐ closed-toe shoes or boots ☐ hat and sturdy gloves
☐ mobile devices, charger,	
power pack	Other
□ prepaid phone card, coins for public phone	□ spare keys□ books, games, toys for
□ remember, a power outage may affect your	children, animals
internet, landline phone/ nbn™ network access	☐ extra items for people with special needs
□ torch/lantern	☐ animals' provisions
Tools and supplies	Additional items to prepare for
☐ basic tool kit, duct tape	evacuation include:
□ woolen blankets□ tent or tarpaulin	☐ sleeping bags, blankets and pillows for each person

☐ fuel for vehicles

☐ tent or tarpaulin

ANIMALS IN EMERGENCIES



Animals and evacuation

Animals are your responsibility, even during an emergency or disaster.

Be prepared

- $\hfill\square$ have three days' worth of food and water for all animals
- $\hfill\square$ have a supply of medication for all animals
- evacuate animals to a safer location well in advance and away from the emergency zone
- $\hfill \square$ practice at least two different evacuation routes with your animals
- □ secure animals inside, under shelter or on higher ground before an event
- ☐ use a secure carrier/cage, leash, harness, float, container with secure lid and air holes to transport animals
- ☐ ensure all vaccinations, stock registers, microchips, council registrations remain current
- ☐ have a current photograph of each animal to assist with identification

Bushfire. Storm. Flood.

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has you covered.

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SHELTERS AND EVACUATION









Your current location may be your safest and most comfortable option in an event You may need to find a short term place to shelter or take refuge as an event unfolds

Seeking refuge at an evacuation centre should be your last resort... because they are not a resort!



Evacuation

Ipswich City Council follows Australian Red Cross Preferred Sheltering Practices for Emergency Sheltering in Australia. Some sheltering practices include:



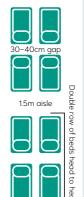








Toilet allocation







Space allocation



SHOWERS





INFORMATION BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER AN EVENT

LOG ON

- Download the free Mylpswich Alerts app
- Visit council's disaster website regularly for updates: lpswich.ald.gov.au/emergency
- Visit Facebook and Twitter
 - Bureau of Meteorology
 - Ipswich City Council
 - Queensland Fire and Emergency Services
 - Queensland Police Service
- TV broadcast

TUNE IN

■ To ABC 612 AM or River 94.9 FM



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