

Flood Safety Reminders

University of Houston Office of Emergency Management is sharing flood safety tips to help students, faculty and staff prepare for flood dangers.

Flooding is one the most common types of natural disaster in the Houston area. Conditions that cause flooding can include heavy rain that saturates the ground lasting several hours or days. Flash Flood emergencies can happen with little or no notice here in Houston. Flash flooding can be sudden, roadways can be covered in swiftly moving floodwater, making them unsafe and impassable. Knowing what to do and what not to do is important for your safety. Take a minute to review the National Weather Service's [Turn Around, Don't Drown](#) PSA.

If you are under a flood warning:

- Find safe shelter right away
- Do not walk, swim or drive through flood waters - **Turn Around, Don't Drown!**
- Remember, just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away
- Stay off bridges over fast-moving water
- Depending on the type of flooding:
 - Evacuate if told to do so
 - Move to higher ground or a higher floor
 - Stay where you are



For more information on flood preparedness before, during and after visit Office of Emergency Management web page. [Flood - University of Houston \(uh.edu\)](#) and FEMA's Ready.gov [website](#).