

Cheshire's Emergency Management Team urges all Town residents and businesses to be prepared for any emergencies and power outages created by winter or tropical storms.

Your police and fire departments along with other Town agencies and Campion Ambulance work together to provide the best possible Emergency Services to the residents of Cheshire. We hope this brochure helps you be better prepared for storm emergencies.

Cheshire has an extensive, all-hazard emergency operations plan, including the establishment of shelters. If you are evacuated or need shelter, please go to one of the following shelters that will be set up and operational as soon as necessary.

Cheshire's Shelters

Cheshire Youth Center
559 South Main Street
Cheshire, CT 06410

Cheshire High School
525 South Main Street
Cheshire, CT 06410

Please monitor TV and radio stations as well as the town website for shelter status. If these are not available you can call 203-271-6665 for information.

Smoking, alcoholic beverages, weapons, and pets other than service animals are **NOT** allowed in Public Shelters.



Register for the Town's CodeRED Emergency Notification System to receive phone alerts and important emergency messages.
Go to www.chshirect.org to register phone numbers to receive these alerts and messages.

Cheshire Emergency Management
250 Maple Ave., Cheshire, CT 06410

Phone (203) 272-1828
Fax (203) 272-7314

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EMERGENCY

PREPAREDNESS TIPS



It has been determined by FEMA that emergencies begin and end at the local level.

**HELP US HELP YOU,
AND BE PREPARED**

BEFORE THE STORM

- ✓ Have an up-to-date evacuation plan.
- ✓ Know where official shelters are located.
- ✓ Replace batteries in portable radios and flashlights.
- ✓ Ensure you have enough water and non-perishable food on hand, such as canned tuna fish, peanut butter, etc.
- ✓ Make sure gutters and down spouts on your house are clean of debris.
- ✓ Remove all loose yard furniture to a safe secure area.
- ✓ If you leave home, notify relatives or friends of your destination and leave a contact number.

POWER OUTAGE/ EVACUATION KIT

- ✓ Flashlight, battery-operated radio, extra batteries.
- ✓ First aid kit.
- ✓ Blankets or sleeping bags.
- ✓ Lightweight folding chairs and cots.
- ✓ Prescription medicines.
- ✓ Personal items including books and toys.
- ✓ Hygiene supplies (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, razor, etc.).
- ✓ Important papers, especially official I.D.
- ✓ Cash if banks are closed and ATMs are not available.

DURING THE STORM

- ✓ Monitor media outlets for official news of the storm's progress.
- ✓ Turn off all propane tanks.
- ✓ Unplug small appliances.
- ✓ Stay away from windows and doors.
- ✓ Turn refrigerator to coldest setting and keep closed.
- ✓ Fill a bathtub, sink or large containers with water for sanitary purposes.
- ✓ Do not use candles.
- ✓ Only use generators installed with a permit by a licensed electrician.
- ✓ Stay inside your home. **DO NOT** leave unless told to by emergency officials.
- ✓ **LEAVE YOUR HOME IMMEDIATELY IF TOLD TO DO SO.**

AFTER THE STORM

- ✓ Monitor media outlets for official news of the storm passing and road conditions.
- ✓ Wait until all areas are declared safe before entering.
- ✓ Stay away from moving water and downed wires.

*FOR ALL EMERGENCIES DIAL
911 OR 271-5500*

**PLEASE DO NOT CALL 911 OR
EMERGENCY NUMBERS
UNLESS YOU HAVE A TRUE
EMERGENCY**



Useful websites:

www.fema.gov

www.disasterhelp.gov

www.chshirect.org

www.chshirefd.com