



Portsoy and District Community Council

Are you prepared for emergencies?

Prepare an emergency kit. An at home kit should include a torch, radio, spare batteries, essential medication, three days' supply of water, ready-to-eat food, a paper copy of emergency contact numbers, a portable phone charger and any pet or baby supplies necessary.

A storm can come on quickly. Make sure you know what to do: **Stay inside** until the storm has passed.

- **Shut all windows**, close doors, and keep away from windows.
- **Do not use a landline telephone** unless it's an emergency.
- **Do not attempt any repairs while the storm is ongoing**, wait until it has passed. Be aware that even after, there is still a danger.
- If you must leave the house, **use an exit or entrance that's sheltered from the storm**.

If you're experiencing a power cut **report the outage to your local power network**. You can also call them about damaged power or electricity lines that are down.

- **Call 105** to be connected to your local network company for further advice.
- Switch off all appliances that shouldn't be left unattended, ready for when power is restored. You can leave a light on, so you know when the power is restored.
- It's recommended you **use torches during a power outage** rather than burning candles or building small fires.
- To stay warm during a power cut, **wrap up warm and close any windows and doors**.

If it is safe to do so you should check on your neighbours and any vulnerable people you know of living close by. **It's vital to remember to look after your own safety first. If you become a casualty, you can't help anyone, and who will be available and able to help you? Remember stop and check for danger first.**

Aberdeenshire's Council Planning for Emergencies website

www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/communities-and-events/safety-and-emergencies/ready-aberdeenshire/ready-individuals/



In the event of an emergency call 999 immediately. Other numbers of interest are:

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| • Floodline Scotland | 03459881188 | • SSEN (loss of power) | 105 |
| • Scottish water | 08000778778 | • Police non-emergency | 101 |
| • Gas emergency | 0800111999 | • NHS 24 | 111 |