



**Town of Gloucester
Emergency Management Agency
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To: Gloucester Residents

Subject: Severe Weather Preparation.

- It's imperative that Rhode Islanders PREPARE NOW so that they are ready for severe weather associated with Winter Storms.
- Now is the time to double check your disaster-supply kit and gather any additional items that you may need. Make sure to include water, food, flashlight, extra batteries, radio, first aid kit, and any necessary medicines and prescriptions.
- Make sure all family members have an emergency contact list.
- Visit www.riema.ri.gov for additional storm information and to register with CodeRed and receive free emergency notifications from local and state officials.

Before Winter Storm

- Have sufficient heating fuel as regular sources may be cut off.
- Please plan your commute accordingly & drive safely.
- Keep cell phones, mobile devices & other necessary electronics charged in case you experience a power outage.
- For updated list of closings, delays & parking bans visit http://www.ribroadcasters.com/News_and_Events/Closings_Delays/
- As the temp drops check on elderly family, friends & neighbors. The elderly are especially susceptible to extremely cold temps.
- Winter storms & blizzards can knock out power. Make sure you have a plan for staying warm in a blackout visit ready.gov/blackouts.
- Do you have an emergency kit in your vehicle? Keep a shovel, windshield scraper, flashlight, food & water in case of an emergency.
- Listen to the radio or @NOAA Weather Radio for latest weather forecasts & road conditions.

- To keep pipes from freezing, wrap them in insulation or layers of newspapers.

Downed Wires

- Avoid downed wires. Always assume that a downed wire is a live wire.
- In the event of a power outage, **do NOT** call E 9-1-1. Contact National Grid at 1-800-465-1212.

Generators

- Do not operate a generator indoors. Make sure that it is used in a well-ventilated area.

Traffic Intersections without Power

- Avoid intersections without power. If you approach an intersection where the lights are out, **always treat as a 4-way stop.**

Shelters

- In the event of major power outages warming shelters will be opened in various locations within Gloucester, the locations will be listed on the Town website and the RI Emergency Management website when opened.

SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY ALERTS BY CLICKING ON THE BELOW LINK:



<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/31242AD7999F>