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Are you prepared for severe weather? Natural disasters are on the rise, putting your property at-risk. Homeowners should take the necessary precautions to minimize property damage before disaster strikes. Luckily, **Restoration1** has compiled a checklist to help ensure that you've got your bases covered. Remember, while you can't control the weather, you can prepare for it.

Your Property

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HOME INTERIOR

Make sure doorways are sealed and don't have gaps, replace weather stripping if needed	Install sump pumps in low lying areas of your home
 Inspect windows for cracks and chips 	Locate your breaker box and label the switches clearly
Make sure the drainage system isn't clogged or backed up	Seal cracks in walls with waterproof paints or sprays for added protection
Elevate or move your furnace, water heater and electrical panels to higher ground if necessary	Lock important documents and irreplaceable valuables in a waterproof, fire resistant box
Consider installing water leak detectors that send alerts to smart phones near entryways and in low lying areas as well as areas of your home that are high risk, such as laundry rooms or around water heaters	Scan photos and documents and upload them to a secure cloud storage site

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LANDSCAPE AND HARDSCAPE

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HOME EXTERIOR

Evaluate roof for any weak spots	Clear dead branches from trees on your property
 Identify leaks Address loose shingles and inspect materials for wear and tear 	Scale back or relocate trees that could cause damage to your home during a storm
Evaluate flashings, make sure there are no gaps	If you live near a creek or river, create a sandbag wall ahead of time for
Look for spots with water damage on the ceiling and cracks in roof tile (indication of leaks)	added protection Clear drains
Check for mold (mold can be an early identifier of problems to come)	
Remember to clean the debris from gutters and consider installing gutter guards	
Inspect the foundation of your home for cracks and leaks, including around pipes	

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Homeowners Insurance

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Contact your agent to determine your coverage needs.
Create an inventory list and keep it current, save receipts and take photos for documentation <u>.</u>
Update your policy as needed (recommended yearly)
Familiarize yourself with what is and isn't covered
Check to see if your property is located in a flood plain.
Consider purchasing Flood Insurance
Consider purchasing Earthquake insurance



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Home Disaster Plan and Kit

CREATE AN EMERGENCY PLAN

Establish an emergency contact to check
in with in the event of an emergency

Discuss a meeting spot (neighborhood or regional)



feminine products)

PREPARE A 3-DAY* DISASTER KIT

Prescription medications

Include non-perishable food items suc	ch 🛛 Warm clothing and a change of clothes
as canned food—remember the can opener—dried fruits, nuts, etc.	Sleeping bags and extra blankets
One gallon of water per person a day	Flashlights or headlamps (include extra batteries)
Plastic cups, plates and cutlery, trash bags	☐ Whistle
First aid kit—bandages, dehydration salts, gauze, anti-histamines, aspirin (basic first aid supplies should be stocked)	alts, 🗌 Waterproof matches
	Basic hygiene supplies (baby wipes,

*It is ideal to have at least 3 days worth of quantities in your disaster kit. Although some disasters may last longer then 3 days.

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After the Storm—Filing a Claim if Your Property is Damaged

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Contact your insurance agent as soon as possible

You can also report a claim.

] Provide your policy number

Include the date, time and location

Give a description of the damage

☐ Take an inventory of damaged property

Evaluate and document the damage in photos

] Do not dispose of damaged items

Ake temporary repairs to protect property from further damage

Keep itemized receipts for expenses such as temporary housing, repairs, meals, etc.

