

## Winter Storm Preparedness – Quick Guide

### Before a Storm

- Monitor local weather alerts.
- Make a family emergency plan.
- Prepare your home: insulate pipes, check heating systems/chimneys, maintain smoke and CO detectors, keep fire extinguishers ready.
- Prepare your vehicle: keep the tank at least half full, install winter tires, and carry an emergency kit (blanket, shovel, booster cables, sand/cat litter, flashlight).

### During a Storm

- Stay indoors and avoid travel.
- Keep warm by layering clothing and closing unused rooms.
- Use generators and alternative heat sources safely — never indoors.
- Check on neighbours, especially seniors or those living alone.

### After a Storm

- Clear snow/ice safely and take breaks.
- Report downed power lines to Algoma Power.
- Restock supplies and review your emergency plan.

**Stay safe, stay prepared, and help keep our community resilient this winter.**

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<https://www.redcross.ca/how-we-help/emergencies-and-disasters-in-canada/types-of-emergencies/winter-storms#:~:text=Winterize%20your%20home%20by%20insulating,melt%20ice%20and%20improve%20tractions>