

# Shelter-In-Place



In Case of an Emergency

What to do when there is a Chemical Release

## Actions to Take

1. Go or stay Indoors.
2. Close all doors and windows.
3. Turn off any device that exchanges air with the outdoors (furnace, exhaust fans, air conditioners, vents, dampers, clothes dryers, etc.).
4. Stay in an interior room with as few windows and doors as possible.
5. Try to account for all members of your home or business.
6. If possible, place a wet towel at the bottom of the door to your safe room.
7. Listen to radio, TV or an online device for further instructions.
8. Perform first aid as necessary.

## Actions NOT to Take

1. Do not call 911 for information. Only call if you have an actual emergency.
2. Do not evacuate or travel, unless told to do so by authorities.
3. Do not go get children at school. If the school is in the hazard zone, they will be sheltering also.
4. Do not make telephone calls—this may tie up the phone lines.



*An accident may cause a hazardous material to enter the air. Unless the material is flammable, emergency responders advise you to stay indoors. Do not evacuate into the contaminated air.*



# Shelter-In-Place Kit

We suggest you have the following items on hand, available should you need to Shelter-In-Place:

- A battery operated radio, with spare batteries
- Bottled Water and non-perishable snacks
- Flashlight with spare batteries
- A towel for sealing the bottom of door
- First Aid Kit
- Telephone
- Games or books to occupy children
- Pet food
- Sanitary hand wipes
- Duct Tape (to seal windows or doors, as needed)

## Good Ideas

- Do not go outdoors!
- Do not travel out into the toxic environment.
- Know more about the hazards that are located in your neighborhood.
- Learn CPR and First Aid.
- Make sure your Family knows what to do.

## Are You Prepared Waldo?

Anything can happen at anytime. Are you prepared to “weather” the storm.

- Power Outages
- Flooding
- Severe Winter Storms
- Hurricanes
- Hazardous Materials
- Pandemic Flu
- Forest Fires
- Active Shooter
- Cyber Incident

Be Informed.  
Make a Plan.  
Get Ready

Call 211 for Shelter Info  
& Assistance

Call 911 for Actual  
Emergencies

## For More Information

### Waldo County Emergency Management Agency

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