

LMOA Emergency Preparation Guidelines

IF YOU ARE AWARE OF A MEDICAL, RESCUE, OR FIRE EMERGENCY, CALL 911.

To aid individuals and families in preparing for any other emergency, it is recommended that residents follow a basic plan.

Step 1: Find out what could happen at Lake Monticello.

The most common emergencies experienced at Lake Monticello are severe summer storms, winter storms of various types, power outages, and potable water contamination.

Step 2: Create an Individual/Family Emergency Plan.

Meet with family members and/or those who live at the residence to discuss the importance of preparation and the most probable types of emergencies. Decide on several things.

- * Although Lake Monticello residents are advised to “shelter in place” if an emergency occurs, choose two places to meet in case household members have to leave the home. One should be right outside the home, to use in case of a sudden emergency, and the other should be outside the neighborhood, to use in case you cannot get home or you have to leave the neighborhood.
- * Ask an out-of-state person to be an emergency contact who can be called to report and check on the whereabouts of everyone in the household.
- * Give everyone who lives at the residence a card with the location, address and phone number of the meeting place outside your neighborhood. Also include the name and phone number(s) of the emergency contact.
- * If pets live at the residence, find out which locations will be able to care for them in the event an evacuation is declared. If a pet is left at home, post stickers or signs on doors that are clearly visible from the outside. Specify what types and the number of animals.
- * Contact school officials to learn how they notify parents of the children’s status if an emergency occurs.

Step 3: Create an emergency preparation checklist.

- * Teach children how and when to call 9-1-1.
- * Post emergency phone numbers near every telephone.
- * Make sure you have contact numbers for your pharmacy and medical supply providers if a household member requires oxygen, dialysis supplies, diabetes supplies, etc.
- * Distinguish which are the safest places in your home for each type of disaster that may require sheltering in-place.
- * Tell every household resident how and when to turn off the water, gas and electricity, at the main switches.

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Step 4. Make an emergency supply kit which has enough supplies on hand to last three days for each resident. The kit should have:

- * Three gallons of water per person.
- * Foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking, such as canned goods. Include a manual can opener.
- * Emergency tools such as a battery-powered radio, flashlight and extra batteries.
- * First aid kit that includes a list of any family members' allergies and contact lenses or an extra pair of glasses.
- * A week's supply of prescription medications.
- * Sanitation supplies, including toilet paper, soap, plastic garbage bags and personal hygiene supplies.
- * One change of clothing, footwear, blanket or sleeping bag per person.
- * Extra set of car keys; cash in small denominations or traveler's checks.
- * Special items for infant, elderly or disabled members of the household.
- * Keep a battery-powered radio and extra batteries handy to get important information in an emergency, even if the power is out.

Step 5. Know Lake Monticello emergency warning procedures.

If severe weather appears possible or is predicted, residents should turn to the local news media and internet sites provided at the end this guide for up-to-date information. A NOAA Weather Radio is a valuable source of information at a small cost. Most models have an automatic alert feature that can be programmed to our area.

In an emergency situation, residents are advised to turn to cable Channel 10, call Lake Monticello Emergency Hotline at 589- 8263 (Ext 300), call the Main Gate at 589-3215, or turn to the local media sites provided at the end of this guide for timely information and local instructions.

LMOA Emergency Information Sites

Comcast: LM Channel 10, LM Channel 14

Main Gate: 589-3215

Lake Monticello Emergency Hotline: 589-8263 (Ext 300)

www.lmoa.org

