

ADDITIONAL TIPS/INFORMATION

Locating Fuse Boxes, Shut-Off Values

- Locate the main electric fuse or breaker box, water service main and natural gas main.
- Learn how to and when to turn off these utilities.
- Keep necessary tools near gas and water shut-off valves.
- Do not shut off utilities unless you are told to do so or you are in immediate danger from something such as an obvious gas leak.
- Remember that your gas supply must be turned back on by a professional technician.

Listen to Public Alerts, Warnings

State and county officials have prepared action plans for any emergency. Should an incident occur, you will be notified of any actions you should take. When an emergency occurs, county officials will sound a steady three-minute siren tone. County emergency services also may use loud speakers and door to door notification. The siren is a signal for you to tune your radio to your local Emergency Alert System Station (WXCY 103.7 FM, WHFC 91.1 FM, WBAL 1090 AM and Harford Cable Network Comcast Channel 21/Clearview Channel 7) and listen for emergency instructions.

If you hear an emergency siren, do the following:

- Remain calm.
- Turn on your local Emergency Alert System Station and listen for instructions.
- If you do not hear emergency announcements, it is probably a test, but listen a while longer to be sure (Check your Emergency Public Info Calendar).
- Develop an emergency communication plan in case family members are separated during a disaster.

Weather Radio Can Prove To Be a Good Investment

A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Radio All Hazards is the best way to receive warnings from the National Weather Service. NOAA Radio All Hazards is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information direct from a nearby National Weather Service office.

NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards broadcasts National Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day. The NOAA Weather Radio ALL Hazards network has more than 650 transmitters covering all 50 states, adjacent coastal waters, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and the U.S. Pacific Territories. NOAA Weather Radio requires a special radio receiver or scanner capable of receiving the signal. Broadcasts are found in the public service band at these seven channels: (MH2): 162.400, 162.425, 162.450, 162.500, 162.525, 162.550