

☐ Stay Safe! Listen to the radio for additional storms.

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## Cleaning up after a storm

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Do not try to do anything you aren't comfortable with. If this is the case, hire a professional! If you don't know of any, check with your agent or your chamber of commerce.
Stay away from down power lines and flood waters.
Take pictures of the damage before beginning clean up.
Take steps to prevent further damage. Keep receipts for any material or labor involved in attempting to prevent further damage. If you have enough damage to justify filing a claim, you may be reimbursed for these expenses.
Tarp over any roof damage
Board up any broken windows or doors
If you have water in the house, remove any items that are wet such as carpets, curtains or rugs. Open windows and run fans to try and dry it out as quickly as possible. Keep records of what is being thrown out.
If the power has been out for an extended period of time throw away the contents of the refrigerator and freezer. Keep records of what is thrown out. Some homeowners policies have coverage for spoilage of food due to loss of power.
If you have trees down, inspect each tree before beginning. Make sure that the tree isn't going to shift or move while you're working on it.
If you have any damage to your house, outbuildings or fences begin getting estimates as soon as possible.