



What To Do If You Suffer Water Damage

Water damage or severe flooding is one of the most devastating things that a homeowner or business can experience. Whether the damage is from a busted pipe, sump pump failure, sewer backup or natural flooding, water can cause significant damage to your home or structure.

Quick action is important in addressing any type of water damage. Even in small amounts of water under certain conditions mold can start developing in as little as 24 hours. Water damage can result in safety hazards and structural damage you may not notice until later. Below are steps to take if you suffer water damage.

1. **Shut off main water valve:** It is extremely important to know the location of your main water valve. You should locate your main water valve and immediately shut it off. This will prevent further water from entering the structure and causing further damage.
2. **Contact a professional water mitigation company:** Once the source of water has been addressed and turned off it is important to contact an *IICRC Certified restoration firm* to properly address the situation and prevent further damage. These companies are trained in proper ways to address the water damage and complete the drying process.
3. **Contact your insurance company:** Immediately contact your insurance company to make them aware of the damage. Coverage may vary depending on the type of policy you have. They will send out an adjuster to assess the damage and determine coverage. Take pictures and document damaged items. Do not throw any items away!
4. **Protect yourself:** The most important step is to protect yourself and your family. These steps include turning off your power and wearing protective gear such as boots and gloves. If flooding is severe, you should not enter home until you have been cleared to enter.

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