

# Storm Safety

- Listen to local weather stations if a storm is near; always have a plan of where to go and what to do during a storm.
- Stay inside during storms..
- Make sure flashlights, batteries and essential food and drink supplies are available.
- Check on others in the community who might not be as prepared for storm situations.
- If a power line falls across a car that you're in, stay in the car. If you MUST get out of the car due to a fire or other life-threatening situation, try to jump clear of the car and land on both feet. Be sure that no part of your body is touching the car when your feet touch the ground.
- If flooding causes you to leave your home, turn off your power at the circuit breaker panel, do not operate any appliances while standing in water.
- If you experience a power outage from the storm, call 704.878.3479 – NEVER go near downed power lines.
- During severe weather or power outages, turn off as many appliances and electronics as possible. After the power is restored, wait 5 to 10 minutes before turning them back on, to help avoid damage.
- After the storm, replenish any supplies you used during the storm in preparation for future scenarios.