

SaskPower spring flooding alert

Record snowfall means a risk of flooding this spring. Flood waters can create dangerous electrical and gas issues. Prepare your property from potential floodwaters by following these steps.

If your property is at immediate risk of flooding, unplug and move portable electrical items to higher ground and turn off the main power switch. Only do so if you don't have to step into water or stand on a wet floor. Hire a licenced contractor to shut off gas and electrical supply to basement appliances, and move them to higher ground if possible.

For safety reasons, SaskPower may need to disconnect power to flooded areas. Some properties not directly affected by flooding but near flooded areas may lose power. Keep emergency supplies on hand.

If you use a generator, only do so for tools such as lights and water pumps. Connecting portable generators to house circuits can cause be dangerous. Never run a generator indoors or in a confined space, and keep all cords and generators safely out of water.

After a flood, contact SaskPower at 310-2220 to reconnect your electrical service. Restoring power to a flood-damaged property requires a permit from a licenced electrical contractor, and a SaskPower electrical inspector will ensure it's safe to reconnect the power. Call a licenced gas contractor to relight any gas appliances that were submerged.

When possible, SaskPower will post power outage notifications on [saskPower.com](http://saskpower.com), Facebook and Twitter (@SaskPower). In case of emergency, call 310-2220 (toll free) or 9-1-1.

Visit <http://www.saskpower.com/safety/what-to-do-in-an-emergency/> for more information.