BE INFORMED

Register with CTAalert (www.CTAlert.gov) to receive accurate, Ridgefield-based notifications via email, text message, home or cell phone.

Follow Office of Emergency Management Communications:
- Twitter: @Ridgefield_OEM
- Facebook: Ridgefield OEM

During a severe storm Ridgefield's Call Center may be activated. If activated, the Call Center phone number will be sent to the public via CTAalert.

In the event all power is out, emergency communications will be posted on a message board at Ridgefield Town Hall and Parks & Rec/ Town Shelter (195 Danbury Road).

Monitor local radio stations (850AM-WREF, 800AM-WLAD, 880AM-WCBS, 93.3FM-WDAQ, 95.1FM-WRKI)

Important Websites:
- www.ridgefieldct.org
- www.READY.gov
- www.FEMA.gov
- www.eversource.com
- www.CTAlert.gov
- www.ridgefield.org

BE PREPARED

BEFORE AN EMERGENCY
- Make a Go-Bag and an emergency supply kit including flashlights, batteries and pet items (if applicable).
- A list of items to include can be found at www.ready.gov.
- Fill all prescriptions. Have cash on hand in case banks are closed.
- Charge cell phones and all electronic devices. Consider the purchase of car charger for cell phone.
- Fill all vehicle gas tanks & keep an extra gas can on hand. Trim trees, shrubs and other potential hazards around your home.
- Fill bathtub with water to be used for flushing toilets. Follow manufacturer’s guidelines for generators.

DURING AN EMERGENCY
- Stay inside & wait out the storm. Stay away from windows.

AFTER AN EMERGENCY
- Check on neighbors, especially elderly or disabled. Monitor local communications as listed in “Be Informed” section.
- Call Eversource if power fails; plan to be without power for a long time. Be prepared to go to the Town Shelter. Residents with pets must follow pet shelter protocols: www.CTSART.org or contact Region5CTSART@gmail.com.

MAKE A PLAN

- Discuss the types of hazards that could affect your family (fire, flood, power outage, etc.).
- Pick a safe place outside your home to meet; identify two or three safe ways to evacuate your home if necessary.
- Your Neighborhood Meeting Place:
- Pick a safe place in your town to meet (library, place of worship).
- Your Town Meeting Place:
- Designate an out-of-state contact so all family members have a single point of contact during an emergency.
- Download a Preparedness App. The CTPrepares App allows communication via one text to multiple contacts. During an outage, text messages are often more reliable than phone calls.

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