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A SAFR way to deal with floods in Middle Beach

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engineering design and construction.

Unsafe for people and vehicles.

All building types considered vulnerable to failure.

Unsafe for people and vehicles.

Buildings require special

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Unsafe for vehicles, children and the elderly.

Unsafe for people and vehicles.

Unsafe for small vehicles.

Generally safe for people, vehicles and buildings.

HOW SAFE IS IT?

The guide above shows flood depth and safety when water is flowing at less than 1 metre per second.



SECURE

When no flood warnings are current:

- Secure items that may move in a flood and clean up around your house.
- Make copies of important data and files, and keep them in a secure place.
- Prepare an evacuation kit for yourself, your family and your pets.
- Assess your physical ability to cope in a flood.
- Tell your family and friends what action you plan to take during a flood. Will you leave or will you stay? If you evacuate, where will you go?
- Refer to the SES Flood Safe Guide for more information.

Depth of water

0.4m

Education and

Recreation Centre

Middle Beach Rd

Depth of water



ALERT

When a flood warning is issued:

- Listen to the radio or check the internet for flood alerts and updates.
- Ensure neighbours and friends are aware of the alert.
- Turn off power and gas.
- Turn off water at the meter
- Block toilets and drains with bags of earth or sand to stop water entering.
- Raise valuable items off the floor (onto beds and tables, and into roof spaces).
- Ensure copies of your data and files are stored above water level.
- Have your evacuation kit ready.
- Confirm the location of refuge areas.
- If you have decided you will evacuate, consider leaving early.

Historical flood pattern:

25th April 2009 and 4th July 2007

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2.40m

Chart

3.85m



FLOOD

When a flood is in progress:

- Tell neighbours and friends if you are staying or leaving.
- If you are staying, shelter in the safest part of the building.
- Use caution when moving around your house and outside.
- Don't enter flood waters.
- Don't let children or animals play in flood waters.
- Don't drive through flood waters unless you are certain it is safe to do so.
- Observe flood depth markers.
- Listen to the radio or check the internet for updates.



RECOVERY

When flood waters have receded:

- Inspect your property, and seek professional help if there is structural damage.
- If your house was flooded, have your gas and electrical systems checked.
- Check to see if your rainwater tank is stable.
- Check your septic system.
- Evaluate flood damage to your possessions.
- Do not use electrical appliances that are or have been wet.
- Wear thick gloves when cleaning up.
- Be careful of snakes, spiders and other threats.

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HAVE YOU PREPARED
YOUR FLOOD
EVACUATION KIT?

It should contain:

- ☑ Medication
- ☑ Photos
- ✓ Legal documents
- ☑ Snacks and fresh drinking water
- ☑ Raincoats and warm clothes
- ☑ Radio, torch and batteries
- ☑ Toilet paper
- ✓ First aid kit
- ☑ Insect repellent
 - Suitable footwear
 - Food and supplies for pets



For emergency help from the SES call **132 500**For life-threatening emergencies call **000**For health advice from HealthDirect call **1800 022 222**

Flood pattern approximated from DEM: M.Western (2016)