



Flood Mitigation Checklist

No Cost / Low Cost Mitigation Options

Residents of the Hartford Capital Region can reduce injuries and damage caused by flooding by using some or all of the following mitigation techniques.

Modifications to Buildings or Structures

- ☐ Elevate the structure above the base flood elevation or relocate to higher ground
- ☐ Seal the structure from water (wet floodproofing)
- ☐ Modify the structure to allow water to equalize in unoccupied lower floors (dry floodproofing)
- ☐ Install flood panels to entryways and lower windows
- ☐ Construct flood barriers or flood walls around the structure
- ☐ Move the electrical junction box and utility shutoff access above base flood elevation
- ☐ Move internal electrical outlets and wiring above the base flood elevation

Non-structural Mitigation Measures

- ☐ Install surge protectors on valuable electronics
- ☐ Elevate appliances, tools, and other possessions stored in the basement (or move to upper floors)
- ☐ Reserve space on upper floors to where property may be quickly moved in the event of a flood
- ☐ Install a sewer backflow prevention valve on the main sewer line
- ☐ Install a sump pump and ensure access to a backup power supply
- ☐ Install flood barriers around basement equipment and appliances that cannot be moved
- ☐ Purchase and hardwire a generator

Agriculture

- ☐ Construct "critter pads" for livestock