

## What to Do in an Emergency

In case of an immediate, life-threatening danger, go to a safe location and call 9-1-1. Then call The Sea Ranch Association Security at (707) 785-2701.

- If you are not in immediate danger, please stay in your own house (shelter at home).
- You may be directed by local emergency personnel. Please comply with any instructions given. The Sea Ranch Association has a comprehensive Disaster Response Plan with trained Damage Assessors who will check on each property. If you are directed to evacuate by emergency personnel, please follow their instructions carefully.
- Before doing anything else, please gather all members of your family or party in one place. Attend to any first-aid needs. Go over all your provisions to determine what you have on hand and discuss how to make best use of it. If water will be in short supply, remember you have alternative sources, such as the water heater. Water from hot tubs can be used to flush toilets. If you can, fill some extra containers from the faucet. Gather flash lights, blankets and any protection gear you may need for weather conditions, etc.
- Unless there is clearly an active leak or “gas odor,” please do not turn off the valve on the propane tank unless directed to do so. Restarting might be delayed.
- To the extent possible, please keep all phone lines clear. You should call one contact out of the area and ask that person to make other phone calls to family or work associates regarding your location and condition. If you cannot get a call out, there may be local communication assistance available once the scope of the emergency has been assessed.
- If you are staying in a rental home, please remain in place until the rental agency contacts you. If you must leave for any reason, please post a notice on the front door or other visible location, stating your destination and timetable for returning.
- In general, please stay off the roads to keep them clear for emergency traffic.
- Please post a notice in a highly visible window alerting emergency crews to your condition. Make a simple sign stating “OK” if you have no immediate needs, or “HELP” if you need assistance
- Rest assured that there are trained emergency responders to help, from medical teams to fire departments, amateur radio operators, and organized volunteer damage assessment teams.
- If you are a medical professional or a trained responder and can provide assistance, please place an additional sign in the window or inform the emergency workers who come to check on you.
- The Sea Ranch Association has prepared for disaster response and management, has professional response capability, and has trained many volunteers to assist the community. Please stay alert to conditions and remain confident in the assurance that you are in a community which is used to being independent and self-sufficient and seeks to help each other.