



DAMAGE ASSESSMENT SAFETY GUIDE

TEAM BRIEFING

- Current situation
- Known hazards
- Hours of operation
- Assigned areas to survey
- Conduct assessments in teams of at least two personnel
- Emergency numbers and information
- Call-in at appointed times to keep track of teams and progress

WHAT YOU MIGHT NEED

- Dress appropriately for current conditions
- Wear sturdy boots and full-length pants
- Use sunscreen and insect repellent

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

- Powerlines
- Water covering open manholes or depressions
- Insects and animals
- Contaminants
- Debris

DISASTER DRIVING

- Do NOT drive through flooded areas
- Know where you are going
- Adjust your speed to current conditions
- Watch for debris/obstructions in roadway



COMMUNICATIONS

Communications are necessary to:

- Contact emergency assistance
- Keep teams advised of severe weather
- Advise of additional information critical to operations
- Advise Emergency Operations Center (EOC) of emergency/critical information

Be sure all personnel are aware of communication methods, cellphone, radio, etc., and have, though not limited to, the following information:

- Emergency phone numbers
- Locations of hospitals/emergency care
- EOC phone number(s)
- Cellphone numbers of other team members
- Radio call signals