

REPAIRS AFTER A STORM

When you are making repairs to your homes after a flood, check with the Building Department to see if a permit is required. If a house in the floodplain is substantially damaged by an event such as fire or flood it must be repaired to new construction standards. This includes elevating the structure to or above the base flood elevation when it is repaired. Damage is considered to be substantial when the cost of the reconstruction equals or exceeds 50% of the building's market value. When damage of this type occurs to a structure and repairs are necessary, visit the Building Department for a Development Permit Application to begin your permitting process.

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For additional information regarding flood protection see the FEMA website at <http://www.ready.gov/floods>