



St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

Communications Division

After the Storm Safety

As Tropical Storm Irma has passes through our area, we know heading back home is your top priority, but your safety is always ours. Please remember that there are safety hazards that you need to be aware of as you begin moving around your property and neighborhood.

Downed power lines are a high safety concern. If you have any downed power lines on your property or near your house, please call 911 immediately and stay in your home until it is safe.

With the amount of rain that has fallen over the last few days, the ground is saturated and there is a large volume of standing water and flooding. It is important to remember that there are unseen hazards in standing water that can cause injuries. Flooded roadways are dangerous and should never be traveled on; remember "Turn Around, Don't Drown". It only takes one foot to float many vehicles, including sports utility vehicles (SUV's) and pickup trucks.

When County authorities say it's time to go home, please remember to drive cautiously as there still may be fallen trees in road ways that may not have been removed.

We recommend that you call the St. Johns County Emergency Management Hotline number at 904-824-5550 for information about downed power lines, down trees, and flooded roads.

- Downed power lines
- Flood waters/ Stay out of standing water
- Flooded roads/ Turn around don't drown
- Down trees/ Drive Cautiously