

Flood Cleanup and Indoor Air Quality

Floodwaters may contain many hazards, including biological and chemical contaminants. Following a flood or hurricane event, standing water and wet materials can become a breeding ground for microorganisms, such as viruses, bacteria and mold. Exposure to these contaminants can cause disease, trigger allergic reactions and continue to damage materials long after the flood.



Scan the QR Codes below to access each resource, or scan the code to the right to explore EPA's Resources for Flood Cleanup to Protect Indoor Air Quality webpage.

Flood Cleanup: Tips for a Healthy Home

This document includes tips for safely and effectively cleaning up a home after a flood. It is available in several languages.



Flooded Homes Cleanup Guidance

This website has a series of short how-to videos, infographics and more resources on cleaning up a home after a flood.



Homeowner's and Renter's Guide to Mold Cleanup After Disasters

This guide summarizes basic procedures for mold remediation after flooding and other disasters.

Flood Cleanup: Protecting Indoor Air Quality

This five-page brochure contains basic information on flood cleanup with illustrations and links to more detailed information.





For more information about protecting indoor air quality during emergencies and disasters, visit EPA's Emergencies and Indoor Air Quality webpage by scanning the QR code to the right.

