



# Keep Flood Waters Out of Your Business

Protecting the bottom line in order to remain open, or to re-open quickly after a flood disaster, requires taking steps now. Below are 5 relatively simple ways you can reduce your risk of costly interruptions due to flood.

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## SEAL CRACKS

Use high-quality, urethane-based caulk to seal cracks and utility pipe penetrations.



## SUMP PUMP

Connect sump pumps to a battery backup or generator.



## BACKFLOW VALVE

Install backflow valves on main waste drain pipes that leave the structure.



## PROTECT OPENINGS

Keep a supply of water-absorbent or water-filled barriers to divert water away. Install watertight shields over all doors and windows at least 12 inches above anticipated flood level. The type of barrier used will depend on the size and type of opening.



## SLOPE

Evaluate the drainage of the property to make sure the ground slopes away from the building.

