



West Virginia *Offices of the Insurance Commissioner*

Prepare for Heavy Rain and Flash Flooding from Hurricane Ida August 9, 2021

West Virginia is under a flash flood watch Tuesday afternoon through Wednesday evening in anticipation of heavy rain from Hurricane Ida moving into the area.

The National Weather Service says heavy rainfall associated with the remnants of Hurricane Ida will leave 2 to 4 inches through Wednesday, with possibility of up to 6 inches.

While under flash flood watch:

- ✓ Find safe shelter right away.
- ✓ Do not walk, swim, or drive through flood waters. **Turn Around, Don't Drown!**
- ✓ Remember, just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away.
- ✓ Stay off bridges over fast-moving water.
- ✓ Depending on the type of flooding:
 - Evacuate if told to do so.
 - Move to higher ground or higher floor.
 - Stay where you are.

Please visit our [State Office of the National Flood Insurance Program Webpage](#) for additional information or contact us at: OICFlood@wv.gov or 304-414-8462.

Or contact WV OIC Consumer Service Division at 1-888-879-9842.