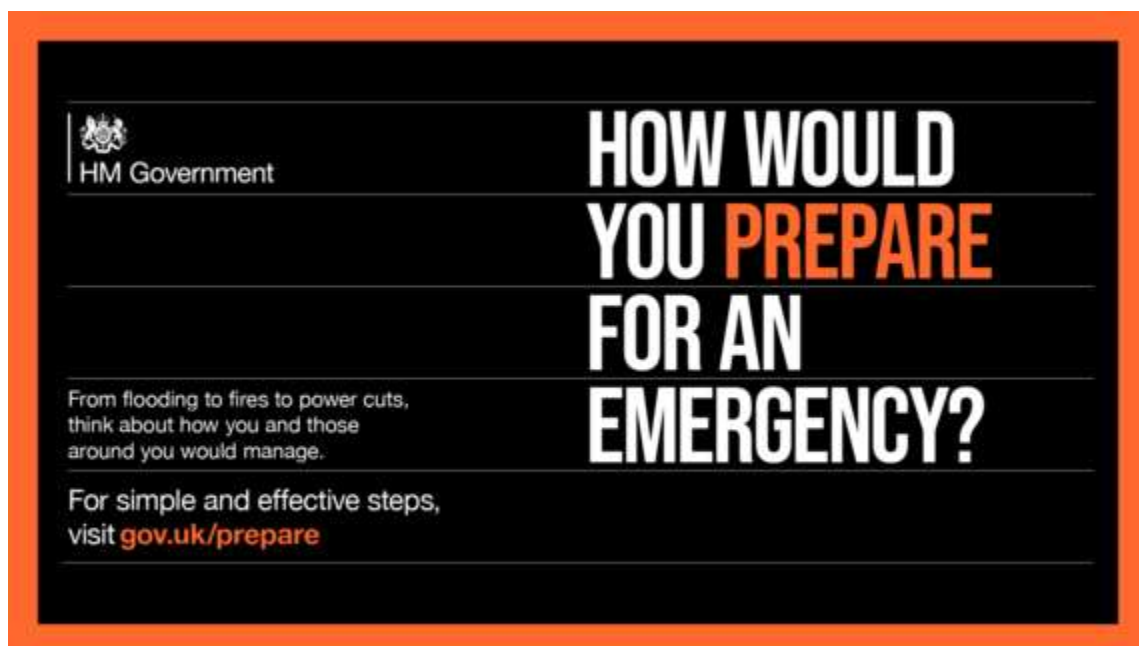




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A poster with a black background and an orange border. It features the HM Government logo and the text 'HOW WOULD YOU PREPARE FOR AN EMERGENCY?' in large, bold, white and orange letters. Below this, it says 'From flooding to fires to power cuts, think about how you and those around you would manage.' and 'For simple and effective steps, visit gov.uk/prepare'.

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Here are a few simple things you could do now to prepare for emergencies:

1. Find out if you are eligible to sign up to your gas, electricity and water supplier's [Priority Service Registers](#), so they know that you need additional support, including when there is an interruption to your supply. Ask anyone you provide care for if they are registered.
2. Set a reminder in your phone or make a note on your calendar to check your smoke alarms at least once a month. You can involve children in the monthly test too.
3. Write down important phone numbers on paper such as the number to report a power cut (105) and the numbers of anyone you might want to contact in an emergency.
4. Talk to your children about emergencies – teach them how and when to call 999 and what they should do if there's an emergency, such as a fire at home.
5. [Check your long term flood risk](#) and sign up for [flood](#) and [weather](#) warnings.

[Further advice](#)

FREE template household emergency plan



Download and print this template [household emergency plan](#) to record important contact details you may need in the event of an emergency, insurance details and utilities information in one document.

Get involved in your community



No matter what abilities you have, amount of time you have to offer, or if you have never volunteered before, there may be ways you can get involved and help.

You could get involved by:

- Getting to know your neighbours and understanding what support you and they might need in an emergency
- Speaking with your family, friends and neighbours about preparing for an emergency, and checking in on them when an emergency happens to see if they need support
- Looking out for calls for support from your local council or local charities and community groups when an emergency happens
- Joining or supporting a local volunteering or community group before an emergency happens.

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