Flood water can make the air in your home unhealthy.

When things get wet for more than 2 days they usually get moldy. There may also be germs and bugs in your home after a flood.

When cleaning wear

- ✓ A N-95 respirator (Hardware stores usually sell them.)
- ✓ Goggles
- ✓ Gloves
- ✓ Long pants, long-sleeved shirt, and boots or work shoes

Clean and dry your house and everything in it.

Use bleach to clean hard surfaces. Throw away anything that was wet with flood water and can't be cleaned.

Flood Cleanup and the Air in Your Home

Follow these steps to clean up after flood:

- Wear rubber boots, rubber gloves, goggles, and N-95 mask.
- Open windows and doors to get fresh air when you use bleach.
- Mix 1 cup of bleach in 1 gallon of water.
- Never mix bleach with other cleaners.
- Clean with the bleach and water mixture.
- Scrub rough surfaces with a stiff brush.
- Rinse the items with clean water.
- Dry the items or leave them out to dry.

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For more information contact the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) free hotline

1-800-438-4318

or go to the EPA website

www.epa.gov/iaq/flood

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