



## What Happens After Mudslides?

Mudslides cause extensive damages to homes across the country each year. Here's how to prepare to minimize your risk.

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### Mudslide emergency preparation checklist

- 1. Create an evacuation plan and emergency kit
- 2. Contact a landscaping professional for preventive tips
- 3. Install flexible piping and gas hookups
- 4. Move furnaces, water heaters, and electrical panels above low-lying areas
- 5. Ensure your home insurance policy is up to date
- 6. Follow emergency broadcast systems closely
- 7. Place sandbags, plastic sheeting, or hay bales around the property
- 8. Board up windows and doors

### What to do after a mudslide occurs

- 1. Contact your insurance company to report damages
- 2. Report damaged utility lines or roads to authorities
- 3. Remove soil and debris inside and outside the home
- 4. Ensure good airflow to reduce mold growth; install a dehumidifier
- 5. Contact a disaster restoration service
- 6. Schedule a professional foundation inspection

