

## Power Outages – Be Prepared

Most power outages will be over almost as soon as they begin, but some can last much longer—up to days or even weeks. Power outages are often caused by freezing rain, sleet storms and/or high winds which damage power lines and equipment. Cold snaps or heat waves can also overload the electric power system.



During a power outage, you may be left without heating/air conditioning, lighting, hot water, or even running water. If you do not have a battery-powered or crank radio, you may have no way of monitoring news broadcasts.

### Helpful Tips:

- Have a battery powered radio to listen to emergency broadcasts
- If the power outage is prolonged, prevent pipes from bursting by draining them and turning off main water supply
- Bottled Water Supply
- If possible, fill the bathtub with water
- Turn off appliances that automatically come on when power is restored
- Keep a phone that does not require electricity (wall plug in)
- Open fridge and freezer doors as little as possible to preserve food
- Never use camp stoves, burners or barbeques indoors. They can produce dangerous levels of carbon monoxide.
- If using candles, never leave them unattended



## Community Emergency Management Coordinators

A Municipal Partnership

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Township of Alnwick/Haldimand (905 349 2542)  
Municipality of Brighton (613 475 1744)  
Town of Cobourg (905 372 9789)  
Township of Cramahe (905 355 2821)  
Township of Hamilton (905 342 2810)  
Municipality of Port Hope (905 753 2230)  
Municipality of Trent Hills (705 653 1900)  
Northumberland County (905 372 3329)



We know that **YOU** depend on us to help in times of crisis, but during these times, we also depend on **YOU** to be resilient and prepared. As a member of the community, **YOUR** job is to prepare **YOURSELF** and **YOUR** family to be self-sufficient and sustaining for the first 72 hours of an emergency. We strive to ensure that residents are resilient and prepared for emergencies. When hazardous and impending situations occur, local emergency responders' first priority is to respond to the scene.

**Your preparedness helps us all!**

Northumberland County's Community Emergency Management Coordinators (CEMC's) have developed a program to bring emergency awareness and education to residents across the County.

Our campaign will bring **YOU** checklists to ensure **YOU** have what **YOU** need for: Car Emergency Kits, Power Outages, Pet Preparedness, and Personal with Additional Preparedness & Mobility Needs.

## Quick List

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Important Medical information:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone number:

\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact (Name, number, address):

\_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's information:

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## In Case of Emergency

To reach Police, Fire, or Ambulance please dial: **9-1-1**

Telehealth Ontario (free medical advice, have your Ontario health card ready, if possible):

**Toll-free: 1-866-797-0000**

**Toll-free TTY: 1-866-797-0007**

Poison Control:

**1-800-268-9017**

Spills Action Centre:

**1-800-268-6060 (toll-free), 1-855-515-2759 (TTY)**