

# Flood Cleanup and the Air in Your Home

**Flood water can make the air in your home unhealthy.**



This is because when things get wet for more than two days they usually get moldy. There may also be germs and bugs in your home after a flood.



**Clean and dry your house and everything in it.**

Clean and dry hard surfaces. Throw away anything that was wet with flood water and can't be cleaned.

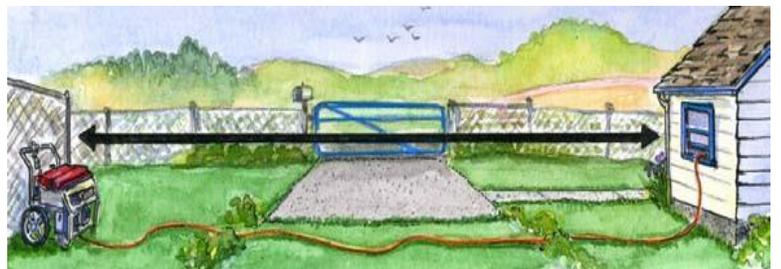


**What to wear when cleaning:**

- A N-95 respirator (found at Hardware stores)
- Goggles
- Gloves
- Long pants, long-sleeved shirt, and
- Boots or work shoes

**Use portable generators OUTSIDE and far away from the building.**

The exhaust, or fumes, from a portable generator could kill you in minutes if you breathe it in!



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