

Fredericton High Priority Disaster Response Registry

For Vulnerable Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

What is the disaster registry?

The registry is a free, voluntary and confidential service for City of Fredericton residents who may need special care such as evacuation assistance or help getting special medical attention during or after an emergency.

Who should register?

Any resident within Fredericton city limits who lives at home and who is frail, physically or cognitively impaired, and/or unable to comprehend warnings and directions and/or respond in an emergency situation. This includes residents who:

have a level of frailty or physical impairment that would likely reduce their capacity to act during an emergency;

are likely to require increased time and/or assistance to react in an emergency;

would be unable to make an independent decision due to cognitive or other impairment.

rely on electricity for life-sustaining equipment

would be unable to understand or respond to emergency warnings or directions (e.g. due to speech/hearing impediment and poor use and/or understanding of English) ; or

do not drive or have access to a vehicle.

Who should not register?

Persons who:

- have a relative within the city;
- live in assisted living facilities or other licensed residential health care facilities;
- have a built-in support system within their homes;
- are not likely to need assistance beyond what the general public would need during or after an emergency;
- live outside city limits; or
- do not have any of the impairments or restrictions listed above on a day-to-day basis.

How do I register?

The registration form is available online at www.fredericton.ca/emo

How often will I have to register?

You will be notified when it is time to confirm your registration. If your situation or contact information changes or there is a temporary change in status at any time, please contact 460-2020.

What kind of assistance can I expect if I register?

The Fredericton Public Safety Communications Centre will notify emergency personnel of your special needs in the event of an emergency that affects your home. A trained professional may check in on you by phone or in person in the event of a large-scale emergency (or a power outage if you rely on electricity for life-sustaining equipment) and, if necessary, come to help you evacuate your home

You should still have an [emergency plan that includes an emergency kit](#) that will sustain you for at least 72 hours. You should also always have a battery-operated radio on hand to be sure you can access current emergency information and evacuation instructions.

How quickly will help arrive?

It depends on the nature and extent of the emergency, how severely your neighborhood is affected, and a number of other factors. Help may arrive within a few hours or it may take several days in the case of a larger-scale emergency.

How will my information be used?

Your information will be confidentially maintained in a database managed by the Fredericton Public Safety Communications Centre and may be shared with your local emergency personnel. The information will only be used in the event of an emergency that may affect you or your home.

How can I make sure I am prepared for an emergency?

Have an emergency plan that includes an emergency kit that will sustain you for at least 72 hours. Your kit should be easy to find so that you can take it with you if you have to go.

What should be in my 72-hour emergency kit?

Your kit should contain food, water, medication, warm clothing, and other essential items. You should also fill out an emergency medical information form that lists your conditions and medications so that responders can best help you. For more, visit www.getprepared.ca

What does the City of Fredericton Municipal Emergency Measures Organization (COF MEMO) do?

The MEMO brings agencies such as the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Health, Transit, Canadian Red Cross and a variety of other agencies together on a regular basis to make sure we are prepared to respond to any disaster that may affect people or property within the City of Fredericton.

What communities are included within the COF MEMO's jurisdiction?

The City of Fredericton's MEMO serves only residents within the municipal limits of Fredericton.

I live outside the City of Fredericton. Where should I register?

You should call your local fire department or Municipal Office to see if they have a registry.