

Rebuilding Your Flooded Home or Business

Flooding can cause damage to your home including drywall, cabinets, floor finishes, HVAC, electrical and plumbing among other items. **Please be aware that a building permit is required before any rebuilding can take place!** Understand what you can do and when you can do it according to the requirement of the Osceola County's Land Development Code and permit requirements:

- 1. Before returning to your home or business, make sure you have the permission and all clear from local law enforcement. Your personal safety is important.
- 2. Removing damp drywall, flooring, cabinets, molding, etc. can begin once you have the ability to get back to your home or business.
- 3. Be aware of nails, snakes or other potential hazards which may be present in or around your home or business.
- 4. FEMA's Substantial Damage Estimates (SDE) must be completed to determine the percent damage of your home or business before any repairs can begin.
- 5. Call the Osceola County Building Office at **407-742-0200** to find out the building permit requirements.
- 6. No construction or rebuilding can take place until you have contacted the Osceola County Building Office.
- 7. Secure the appropriate permits prior to re-construction and avoid citations from Code Enforcement. The Osceola County Building Office can provide you a list of the appropriate permits required for your home or business.

For additional information, contact the Osceola County Building Office:

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