

# Repairing Your Home After a Winter Weather Event – Resources You Can Use

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Mitigation is acting now to reduce future risk. You can repair/rebuild safer and stronger after the Texas Winter Storms and Community Education and Outreach Specialists can help you on your recovery journey.

## To Speak to a Specialist about Repairing Safer, Stronger, and more Resilient:

- Call 833-FEMA-4-US or 833-336-2487
- Email: [FEMA-TXMit@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-TXMit@fema.dhs.gov)

Specialists are available Monday – Saturday, 8am to 6pm Central Time

## More Resources Are Available Online, Visit:

<https://fema.connectsolutions.com/txmit>

## Or Use the QR (Quick Response) Code to Locate Mitigation Resources:

1. Aim your camera at the QR Code to scan the code
2. Open the link and review the web page



**NOTE:** If this does not work, download a FREE QR Code Reader on the Apple Store or Google Play Store.



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# 8 TIPS TO CLEAN UP MOLD



## Protect Yourself

Put on personal protective equipment (gloves, mask, goggles) to protect your eyes, nose, mouth, and skin.



## Toss!

Take it out! Anything that was wet with flood water and can't be cleaned and dried completely within 24 to 48 hours should be taken outside. Take photos of discarded items for filing insurance claims.



## Air it out

Open all doors and windows when you are working, and leave as many open as you safely can when you leave.



## Circulate

When electricity is safe to use, use fans and dehumidifiers to remove moisture.



## Don't mix cleaners

If you use cleaning products, do not mix cleaning products together. DO NOT mix bleach and ammonia because it can create toxic vapors.



## Scrub surfaces

Clean with water and a detergent. Remove all mold you can see. Dry right away.



## Don't cover it, remove it

Painting or caulking over mold will not prevent mold from growing. Fix the water problem completely and clean up all the mold before you paint or caulk.



## Dry it up

Dry your home and everything in it as quickly as possible – within 24 to 48 hours if you can.