



TSUNAMI SURVIVAL

Any part of New Zealand's coast could be affected by tsunami. Here's what to do before, during and after a tsunami.

BEFORE A TSUNAMI

- Know the tsunami risk for where you are. Contact your local council or Civil Defence Emergency Management group to find out.
- Know the natural warning signs (a long or strong earthquake, a change in sea level or a strange noise from the ocean).
- Know, and subscribe to, the warning systems for where you are (could be things like text alerts, apps, social media, website updates).
- Make a plan with those you care about.
- Plan and practice your evacuation route.
- Have a getaway kit.

DURING A TSUNAMI WARNING

- If you see any of the natural warning signs, move inland or to higher ground immediately.
- If you receive an official warning, follow the instructions.
- If evacuating, grab your getaway kit, family and pets (if they're with you) and follow instructions.
- If evacuating, try to walk or cycle, not drive.
- Do not go sightseeing. Never go to look for a tsunami.

AFTER A TSUNAMI

- Listen to the radio, watch TV or check social media for instructions.
- Do not return to the evacuation zones until given the all-clear.
- Be aware that there may be more than one wave and that later waves may be bigger than the first. It may not be safe for up to 24 hours, or longer.
- Be careful re-entering homes or buildings as they may be damaged.
- Look for, and report, broken utility lines to appropriate authorities.



DON'T FORGET

**Long or Strong
GET GONE**

