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Winter Weather Happens. Be #TalbotReady

Three Steps for Safety

01 PREPARE

Getting ready *before the storm* arrives helps you stay home safely and avoid unnecessary travel.

EMERGENCY CHECKLIST

Home & Supplies

- ☐ Food and water for at least 3 days
- ☐ Medications and medical supplies
- ☐ Flashlights and extra batteries
- ☐ Phone chargers / backup battery
- ☐ Pet food and supplies

Power & Heat

- ☐ Charge phones and devices
- ☐ Test generators (if used)
- ☐ Consider safe alternative heat source
- ☐ Check to see if carbon monoxide detectors working

Vehicles & Travel

- ☐ Fuel up vehicles
- ☐ Emergency kit in car (blanket, flashlight)
- ☐ Avoid travel plans during the storm

Home Prep

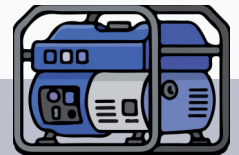
- ☐ Bring in or secure outdoor items
- ☐ Set thermostat safely
- ☐ Check on neighbors who may need help

02 PAUSE

When conditions are dangerous, the safest choice is to stay home and let crews do their jobs.

SAFETY TIPS

- Stay home and avoid unnecessary travel
- Roads are for snow plows and emergency vehicles
- Conditions can change quickly—even if it looks passable
- Check for updates before heading out
- If you must travel, tell someone your plans



GENERATOR SAFETY

- Never use generators indoors or in garages
- Keep generators at least 20 feet from doors and windows
- Use carbon monoxide-safe placement only outdoors
- Let generators cool before refueling

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PROCEED WITH CAUTION

Even after the storm passes, ice and dangerous conditions can linger. Slow down and stay alert as you return to normal routines.

SAFETY TIPS

Shovel Safely

- Pace yourself and take frequent breaks
- Push snow when possible; avoid lifting heavy loads
- Dress in layers and stay hydrated

Take It Slow on the Roads

- Watch for ice and black ice, especially on bridges
- Allow extra stopping distance
- Give plows and salt trucks plenty of space

Watch Your Step

- Sidewalks, steps, and parking lots may still be icy
- Wear shoes with good traction
- Use handrails when available

Expect Delays

- School, work, and services may reopen slowly
- Plan extra time and consider telework if available

Emergency Contacts

Emergencies 911

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline 988

Non-Emergency Line 410-822-0095

**Talbot County Sheriff's
Department Office 410-822-1020**

Poison Control 800-222-1222

**Local Substance Abuse Peer
Support Hotline (Grace Street) 443-439-1820**

