

Basement flooding

>\$1 billion



The total of insured sewer backup damage in homes from just two events in 2013, the southern Alberta flood and the Toronto flood.

Along with damaging property, basement flooding can cause long-term health impacts to you and your family. The following provides info on key areas that may require attention in order to reduce the risk of basement flooding to your home.

Contact your local government to determine what you should do to reduce your risk of basement flooding.

Disconnect your downspouts where appropriate and direct rainwater safely away from your and your neighbours' home.

Do not pour fats, oils or grease (FOGs) down your drain.

Install and maintain sanitary backflow protection (eg. like a normally open backwater valve).

Do not store valuables or irreplaceable items in your basement.

Ensure that the soil around your foundation slopes away from your home.

Ensure your sump system is equipped with a backup pump and a backup power supply and is operating well.

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