



## When to evacuate from a disaster

When disasters such as storms and flooding etc. occur and it is dangerous to stay at home, it is necessary to remain calm and evacuate quickly. During this time, it is important for everyone to help each other, especially checking on elderly neighbors living alone.

### Evacuate at your own discretion – Evacuate immediately as soon as you feel any danger

In recent years, there have been cases of people sustaining damages due to delay in evacuating from heavy rains, etc., brought about by typhoons. When there is a risk or danger, it is important to make swift decisions and action to evacuate especially in the case of torrential rains which could occur unexpectedly and where evacuation information dissemination may not reach in time. Weather information, etc., can be obtained in advance for storm / flood disasters, so it is very important to obtain accurate information and evacuate as soon as possible.

**Priority 1**

Evacuate as soon as possible to homes of relatives or acquaintances that are safe

**Priority 2**

Evacuate to Ishigase Community Center or each community centers set up by the city

**Priority 3**

When evacuation is deemed dangerous, it is better to stay safe indoors

When warnings are announced in Obu City, the Ishigase Community Center and each community centers become disaster countermeasures branches, making it possible to do voluntary evacuation. Check page 14 for information regarding the evacuation centers for each disaster countermeasures branch.

### 3 types of information regarding evacuation

Information will be disseminated when there is a risk of an impending disaster and evacuation becomes necessary. 3 types of information are issued depending on the gravity of the situation, as well as the corresponding evacuation approach to take for each information issued. Sudden advisories or instructions may also be announced.

**1 Evacuation preparation / Evacuation Advisory Start of evacuation for elderly people, etc.**

- At this stage, it is expected that an evacuation advisory, evacuation instruction (urgent) will be issued.
- Evacuation will start for persons who need special care or attention such as elderly people, etc., and their supporters who will take time to evacuate.
- Others will follow and start the process of evacuation, such as contacting family members, preparing necessary items, etc.

**2 Evacuation Advisory**

- At this stage, damage is expected from the disaster, and the risk to people's lives is high.
  - Evacuate as soon as possible.
- When you feel your life is at risk after going out of the house, evacuate to a safe place nearby, or go to the safest place inside your home.

**3 Evacuation instruction (urgent)**

- At this stage, the situation has deteriorated, and the risk to people's lives has greatly increased.
- Those who have not evacuated are strongly urged to evacuate immediately.