

BE READY

Report an emergency

911

Report a power outage

800-286-2000

Report a gas outage

877-944-5325



The Town of Westport is a proud nationally recognized StormReady® community by the National Weather Service

To sign up for
Nixle Emergency Alerts
Text 06880 to 888777

To sign up for
Westport Community Connect



Westport Fire Department
515 Post Road East
Westport, CT 06880

A message from:

Chief Nicholas Marsan
Emergency Management Director

Town of Westport Emergency Preparedness Quick Guide



Emergency Management 203-341-5000

Police Department 203-341-6000

Fire Department 203-341-5000

EMS 203-341-6081

Westport Weston Health District 203-227-9571

School Emergency Information 203-341-1766

Staples Radio WWPT 90.3 FM

BE INFORMED ABOUT EMERGENCY WARNINGS

The Town of Westport employs various effective methods to notify residents of critical emergency information before, during, and after major events such as large storms, power failures, and utility infrastructure damage, which have impacted Connecticut in recent years.

The primary method of emergency notification is the Nixel Emergency Alert notification system.

To sign up, text 06880 to 888777

In the event of an emergency, such as an earthquake, hurricane, flash flood, or other catastrophe, registered Nixel users will receive timely and accurate alerts from trusted government sources. These alerts will supplement the information provided on the Town's website, phone line, and social media channels.



BE PREPARED WITH AN EMERGENCY PLAN

- Sign up for Nixel alerts: Text 06880 to 888777 for timely emergency notifications
- Know evacuation routes: Especially if you live in a flood zone
- Prepare an emergency kit: Include water, food, first-aid, lights, radio, etc.
- Create a communication plan: Decide how to contact family/friends during a crisis
- Secure your home: Trim trees, bring in loose objects, and reinforce against damage
- Stockpile essentials: Water, food, medications, pet supplies, etc.
- Learn basic first aid: Take a course to be able to help yourself and others
- Have a backup power source: Consider a generator for extended outages
- Stay informed: Follow local news, weather, and official social media
- Make a home inventory: This helps with insurance claims after a disaster
- Review insurance coverage: Ensure it's adequate for your property and risks



BE SMART, BE SAFE

Downed Utility Wires:

- **Downed and Dangerous!** If you encounter downed utility wires, maintain a safe distance and immediately contact emergency services by dialing 911.
- Do not attempt to drive over or move the wires under any circumstances.
- Assume all downed utility wires are energized.

Community Safety:

- Check on your neighbors, particularly the elderly and those with special needs, to ensure their awareness of the hazardous conditions and offer assistance if needed.

Flood Safety:

- Turn Around, Don't Drown! Never attempt to drive, ride, or walk through floodwaters. It only takes a few inches of water to sweep a vehicle away, and floodwaters often contain hidden debris and electrical hazards.
- **Flood Zone Preparedness:** If you reside in a designated flood zone, familiarize yourself with the recommended evacuation routes and heed any official evacuation orders promptly.



DISASTERS DON'T
PLAN AHEAD.

YOU CAN.