

CHECKLIST | DISASTER RECOVERY



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In the aftermath of a man-made or natural disaster, you and your company will have a number of concerns to account for as you prepare to reopen for business. Follow this checklist to ensure that you take the proper steps to recover after a disaster strikes.

RECOVERY STEPS	COMPLETE
Contact your insurance provider(s) to start the claims process.	☐
Assess damage: • Make note of any structural damage to building(s). • Note any damage to equipment, machinery or company vehicles. • Note any lost or damaged inventory (both materials for business use and products for sale).	☐
As they come to your attention, compile a list of concerns that must be addressed before you are able to reopen.	☐
Contact employees, suppliers and customers to inform them of any disruptions in operation and an expected date when they can anticipate it to resume.	☐
If you have concerns that damage to a building could pose a safety hazard to employees or customers, have the building professionally inspected.	☐
Properly secure the building while repairs are being made or if relocation of business activity is necessary.	☐
Ensure utilities are restored and in safe working order before resuming business operations.	☐
Properly repair and clean facilities to ensure the environment is free of any safety hazards before resuming business operations.	☐

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS	COMPLETE
File a claim with your business interruption insurance provider.	☐
Determine the amount of lost income the disaster has caused.	☐
Compile the following information to share with you insurance adjuster: • Sales records and history. • Profits and loss statements or tax forms.	☐
Consider any financial responsibilities you may have, such as payroll or scheduled payments to creditors.	☐
Keep detailed records of all expenses incurred during the recovery process.	☐

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