



Storm Isaias Information and Key Safety Items August 6, 2020 Update

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

If you cannot contact the emergency services because of the loss of cell coverage or for any other reason, going to your nearest fire station is an option as there are red phones on the outside of each fire station that connect directly to the 911 center

Outages- The current number of customers without power is 11952, nearly 50% of the town.

Restoration Process- UI is working within the town with numerous crews to restore power as fast as possible. Re-opening roads that are completely blocked such as dead ends will be a priority.

Confirm your appliances off- Confirm all appliances, especially cooking appliances, are off. When power is restored, it is imperative that cooking appliances are not on as this creates a fire hazard

Do not store anything on your stove even though it may not have power

Tree Removal- the Department of Public Works (DPW) will continue to remove trees and branches in the roads as quickly as they can. Please note they cannot haul private trees from resident's curbs. **DPW cannot clear trees that are attached to wires or near any downed wires until UI has inspected and deemed it safe.**

COVID Concerns- DPW workers have are concerned that some residents have approached them too closely without a face covering. Please be mindful that we are still under CDC guidelines so we can assure the safety of our town employees and residents.

Stay at least 10 feet away from any downed wire and assume it is live.

Many traffic lights are without power. Please remain extra cautious when approaching intersections or traffic lights that are out. Treat traffic lights that are out like a stop sign. Use caution in intersections.

Lake Mohegan is CLOSED due to storm damage.

Cell Service and Internet Service are very restricted.

Never use a generator inside your home or garage, even if doors and windows are open. Only use generators outside, more than 20 feet away from your home, doors, and

windows. Portable back-up generators produce the poison gas carbon monoxide (CO). CO is an odorless, colorless gas that kills without warning. Install battery-operated or battery back-up CO detectors near every sleeping area in your home.

Check Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Detectors regularly to be sure they are functioning properly.

Unsafe food can make you sick even if it looks, smells, and tastes normal. Perishable foods are at risk during extended power outages. Keep your refrigerator and freezer doors shut. When in doubt, throw it out.

Residents in need of groceries or meal deliveries, please call Social Services at 203-256-3170.

Charging stations are located at all Fire Stations, the Park and Recreation Building, in the lobby of Police Headquarters (100 Reef Road) and the Fairfield Senior Center (100 Mona Terrace). Please remember your face coverings.

Showers are be available by appointment at Park and Recreation located at 75 Mill Plain Road. Please call 203-256-3191 for an appointment.

Resident yard debris can be brought to We Care Denaili located at 295 One Rod Highway.

Odors- Be mindful of smoke odors. This can indicate an electrical fire in your home. Please dial 911.

Contractors- Only used licensed contractors for repair work. Make sure they have obtained a permit where required.

To reach UI, dial 1-800-722-5584 or visit ui.net. For storm information please visit www.fairfieldct.org/storm.