

# How to escape to a safe place during flash flooding?

This infographic has been designed based on the behavioural precaution knowledge of local inhabitants at the Kan River, Iran.



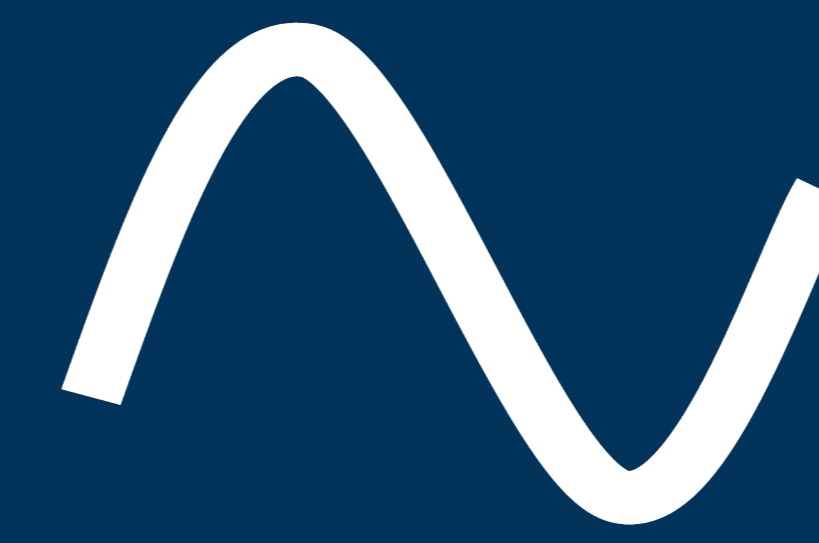
**DO NOT STAY NEAR  
THE RIVER!**



**ACT FAST!**



**MOVE AS HIGH AS  
POSSIBLE!**



**AVOID OUTER  
CURVES OF THE  
RIVER!**



**FOLLOW  
EVACUATION  
ORDERS!**



**STAY INFORMED!**

During a flood the water level and the rate at which the water is flowing is quickly changing, thus act as fast as you can and do not stay near the river. Move immediately upwards as high as possible - even if this means you have to climb on the top of a mountain. This indicates also that you have to leave your house if its at lower ground. Except you are trapped in it, then go to the highest level possible.

Know and respect that the river water spreads especially in the outer curves due to the centrifugal forces, thus avoid them. In case of evacuation information by crisis management follow them and stay informed via radio, television and websites.



**DO NOT DRIVE  
INTO WATER!**



**DO NOT USE  
BRIDGES AND  
TUNNELS!**



**DO NOT TRY TO  
CROSS THE RIVER!**



**AVOID TRAFFIC  
JAMS AND  
CROWDED STREETS!**



**DO NOT USE  
STREETS ON LOWER  
GROUND!**



**DO NOT STAY IN THE  
CAR AT LOWER  
GROUND!**

If you are in a car, follow belows safety rules: **Avoid bridges** and **tunnels** as they can collapse or being flooded. **Do not** drive into water or try to cross the river. **Avoid** behaviour that increases the risk of you being trapped in the water i.e. by avoiding streets on lower ground or drive into traffic jams. If your car at lower ground isn't moving due to traffic jams, move immediately by feet to higher ground. If you are already trapped with your car in the high raised water, move to the car roof and call for help.