

EARTHQUAKE

ACTION GUIDE

BE PREPARED

- ▶ Know your local area, particularly if there is a history of earthquakes
- ▶ Have an emergency kit on hand, including a battery operated radio, torch and spare batteries
- ▶ Keep a list of emergency numbers handy
- ▶ Identify a meeting place in case you become separated from loved ones

ACT SAFE

If an earthquake strikes:

- ▶ If indoors, stay there
- ▶ Seek shelter under a door frame, table, or bench
- ▶ If outdoors, keep well clear of buildings and other structures, power lines, trees etc
- ▶ If in a vehicle, stop in an open area and listen to your car radio for advice
- ▶ Do not use elevators or lifts

STAY VIGILANT

- ▶ Expect aftershocks
- ▶ Keep your radio tuned to local media
- ▶ Watch for hazards and check for injuries or damage
- ▶ Turn off electricity, gas and water
- ▶ Only use telephones in an emergency
- ▶ Avoid driving unless for emergency
- ▶ Stay calm and help others if possible

For further information contact your local State Emergency Services office

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