



5 HEALTH AND STRUCTURAL REASONS

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Why Water Damage Should Be Handled By a Professional



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- ✓ Structural Damage
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- ✓ Health Problems

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The consequences of a flood can be far more severe than just making everything wet and unpleasant. One classic mistake homeowners make is underestimating the effects of water damage. Restoration experts know there are many reasons why water damage can develop into a very serious problem in your home and here are 5 of them...

Mold Growth

Mold growth is by far the most common consequence of a flood. Water damage in your home also makes it damp and increases the moisture levels. This can lead to mold and mildew, which are bad for your home and for your health. If you want to maintain a clean and tidy property, you need to ensure you take care of water damage as soon as you can. Mold is not a problem you want to deal with. You should do all you can to ensure that water damage is cleaned up quickly to prevent mold growth.

Contaminated Water

Floodwaters may be contaminated by sewage with E. coli bacteria, which can cause serious gastrointestinal illness. Bacterial pathogens such as Staphylococcus and Streptococcus can lead to skin infections. Shigella can cause gastrointestinal illness in the form of diarrhea, vomiting, fever, stomach pain, and dehydration. If you have any reason to think that floodwater in your home is contaminated, you should avoid it at all costs. Contaminated water should only be handled by experienced cleaning and restoration technicians.

Structural Damage

If you don't repair water damage and it gets worse, it could cause structural damage to your property. In fact, it could already have had structural consequences for your home. The one thing you don't want to see is cracks in the walls of your property or in the foundations. Have a professional check for structural damage because sometimes the damage is not easily visible but parts of the home are still vulnerable to collapse without warning.

Electrical Problems

One of your first steps after your home is flooded should be to shut off the electricity to your home. This will end the risk of electrocution. Ignoring water damage can be dangerous. If you don't fix it as soon as possible, there's a chance that it could lead to electrical damage in your home. Water damage from flooding in your basement could lead to a disaster, so you need to be extra cautious about the consequences. Deal with flood cleanup as soon as you can to avoid further problems. Usually, floodwater goes into your outlets or short circuits other electrical implements within your home.

Health Problems

If mold is left to grow in your property, you could find that it causes health issues for anyone living there. It can lead to skin problems and respiratory issues, especially for those who already have conditions like asthma or eczema. Everyone should have a clean and healthy home so that they can lead a healthy life