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 **Public Service
Announcement**

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ELECTRICAL SAFETY REMINDER FOR WET OR FLOODED BASEMENTS

Greater Sudbury Fire Services reminds residents that entering a wet or flooded basement to unplug appliances or to clean up following a flood can be very dangerous. Water and electricity don't mix.

Always use caution. If water is in contact with an electrical outlet or appliance, assume the water is energized and stay out of the basement. If your power panel is located in the basement, call an electrical contractor or utility to disconnect your home's electric service.

If you detect an odour of gas following severe flooding, do not touch any electrical fixtures, telephones or switches. Any spark may ignite natural gas. Exit the home immediately, leaving doors open to ventilate, and dial 9-1-1 from another location to alert Fire Services.

Water damaged furnaces and appliances must be inspected by a qualified service technician. Do not attempt to operate wet electrical equipment.

For more electrical safety tips, please visit the Electrical Safety Authority web site at www.esasafe.com

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