

Flood Facts

Contaminated Water

If it is on the land it is in /
contaminating flood water

Fertilizers

Pesticides

Fecal Material

Hydrocarbons

Unknown chemicals

Dangerous Conditions

Due to the nature of flooding
in our area, many dangerous
conditions exist.

Hidden obstructions

Open manhole covers

Contaminated water

Moving water

Correct PPE is Essential for the safety of our Firefighters

**Structural Turnouts have no benefit to our
personnel in a flood situation.**

Turnouts in flood water will NOT:

Keep you dry

Keep you warm

Prevent contaminants from reaching the
firefighter.

Help you stay afloat

Do NOT wear turnouts in water!



What to wear

Acceptable wear for flood waters from most to least appropriate



The MABAS 12 Water Rescue Team has the appropriate PPE and personnel trained in Swift / Flood water incidents to assist your jurisdiction. Equipment and personnel are in Addison, Bloomingdale, Oak Brook, Villa Park, Warrenville and Winfield.

Not every jurisdiction is affected by flooding equally. Even in heavy flooding your closest water rescue team may be available to help or advise on your incident. Contact DuComm for assistance, and to notify team leaders.