Preparing for a Home Inspection

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PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island – After you apply for assistance, FEMA may send an inspector to your home to verify disaster caused damage. If you do receive an inspection a FEMA inspector will contact you to set a date and time prior to the inspection. You don't have to wait for a FEMA inspector to clean up. FEMA inspectors don't need to see the debris to verify damages.

It may be helpful if you take pictures and write down the damage you have before you begin. Then, as you go, save any receipts for cleaning or repairing your property.

If you won't be available for your inspection, but have someone who will represent you, be sure to give their complete contact information to FEMA before the scheduled inspection.

Remember, FEMA inspectors will ALWAYS have an ID badge. They will NEVER ask for money, and they do not determine if you are eligible for assistance.

If you haven't applied for assistance yet, there are several ways to apply:

- Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**. Help is available in most languages. The Helpline is available daily from **7 a.m. to 1 a.m. ET**.
- Go online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> (also in Spanish).
- Download the FEMA mobile app (also in Spanish), available at Google Play or the Apple App Store.

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