

1. Before the storm

- Store enough safe drinking water for people and pets.
- Photograph the pump, tank, switch, control box, gauge, disconnect, model labels, and the area around the wellhead.
- Write down normal gauge pressure and any existing cycling, noise, leaks, or breaker problems.
- Keep the wellhead accessible. Move loose objects that could strike the well, pump enclosure, piping, or electrical equipment.
- Know which breaker or disconnect controls the pump. Do not open electrical enclosures to investigate them.

2. If flooding reaches the well or pump

- Do not use water from a flooded well for drinking, cooking, brushing teeth, washing produce, making ice, or preparing infant formula until official safety guidance is followed.
- Stay away from wet electrical equipment. Do not touch a submerged pump, switch, control box, wiring, disconnect, or breaker panel.
- Use bottled water or another safe source. Boiling does not remove every possible chemical contaminant.
- Document the flood level and visible damage from a safe location.

3. After the storm

- Check for a damaged or missing well cap, shifted casing, broken piping, exposed wiring, standing water, leaks, unusual odor, or discolored water.
- If floodwater may have entered the well, follow Florida health guidance for inspection, disinfection, flushing, and testing before returning to normal drinking-water use.
- A running pump does not prove the water is safe. Pump repair and drinking-water safety are separate decisions.
- Keep test results, repair notes, photos, and equipment model information together.

No water after power returns?

Call with these observations:

- Whole home has no water, or irrigation only
- Pressure-gauge reading
- Pump is silent, humming, clicking, cycling, or running
- Breaker or controller status
- Jet pump, submersible pump, or unknown
- Visible leak, standing water, burning smell, or storm damage

Do not repeatedly reset a breaker that trips again. Repeated resets can damage equipment or create an electrical hazard.

Call for well pump service

(772) 271-5024

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Describe the city, water-system purpose, gauge reading, sound, and any flood or power event. Availability and scope are confirmed when you call.

Official safety sources

- Florida Department of Health — Private Well Water Systems
floridahealth.gov
- Florida Department of Health in St. Lucie County — Wells
stlucie.floridahealth.gov
- U.S. EPA — What to Do With Your Private Well After a Flood
epa.gov/privatewells
- CDC — How to Disinfect Wells After an Emergency
cdc.gov/water-emergency

Important

This checklist is general storm-preparation information, not a water-safety clearance, electrical instruction, or substitute for local health guidance, laboratory testing, or an on-site diagnosis. Follow current instructions from public-health and emergency officials.