

PUBLIC SAFETY UNIT ANNOUNCEMENT

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Be prepared for freezing rain and high winds on weekend

(Kahnawake – 10, Tsothohrhkó:wa/January 2020) The Public Safety Unit is advising the community to be prepared for inclement weather and icing conditions over the weekend.

A special weather statement issued by Environment Canada predicts that large amounts of rain are expected for Saturday, January 11th, turning to **freezing rain and icing conditions** that evening. By Sunday, **wind gusts up to 60-70 km/h** are expected to impact structures covered with ice such as tree limbs and power lines.

The following precautions can be taken:

- Monitor the weather forecast on the <u>Environment Canada</u> website
- Ensure your heating system is optimal (fuel levels, wood, pellets, etc)
- Prepare to de-ice, shovel and clear water from sidewalks and driveways
- In the case of a power outage, ensure you have enough emergency supplies to last at least 72 hours without electricity and have a generator on standby for sump pumps
- Try not to travel unless necessary

For additional information on winter preparedness, alternative heat sources and emergency kits, visit the Emergency
Preparedness page on kahnawake.com or call 450-632-0635.