



What to look for in your Appliances after a flood:

- 1. Flooded gas water heater** – if the water level reaches the burner or gas regulator / temperature control – *have it replaced*. Moisture might cause corrosion of those parts and create hazardous conditions, including gas explosion. Also, soaked insulation under the exterior jacket will cause water body to corrode (same for electric).
- 2. Flooded electric water heater** – depending on the size, they might have one or two heating elements. All submersed electrical connections and components (wires, terminals, relays, thermostat, etc.) will eventually corrode and create hazardous conditions / possible fire – *have it replaced*.
- 3. Flooded Gas Furnace** – it's bad for any design. Up-flow, down-flow, horizontal – a few inches of water will most likely cover some of the gas or / and electric (electronic) components – *have it replaced*. If you're not sure how high the water level was before it receded, turn off the power to the furnace and remove the lower service panel – there might be a distinctive water line on the side walls, cover, or any other internal parts.
- 4. Flooded Electric Furnace** – any electrical parts submerged under water require replacement. With an electrical furnace, it might actually be cheaper to replace the electrical parts, unless the blower and its motor were also affected – have it checked by an licensed HVAC contractor.

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