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## HOW TO PREPARE FOR SUMMER STORMS

Pop-up storms are notorious during Georgia's hot summers. With a little preparation, and these weather preparedness tips, you can make it safely through the season.

- If you have time before the storm strikes, secure anything outside that could be blown around and cause damage to your home, such as lawn furniture.
- Keep an ample supply of flashlights, batteries and candles all through your home for easy access if the power goes out.
- Should you lose power, unplug sensitive electronic equipment such as televisions, computers and microwaves to prevent an overload when power is restored.
- If you're outdoors during an electrical storm, move to a low-lying area and keep away from metal objects.
- Exercise caution when walking in flooded areas. Submerged outlets, electrical cords, and downed power lines can energize water, causing electrocution. If you're in a car during or after a storm, never drive over a downed power line. If you encounter someone who is in contact with a downed power line, do not touch the person, call 911 instead.

You can also receive outage alerts and updates at your service address as we work to restore your

power. If your mobile phone number and email address are on file with Marietta Power and Water, you will receive customized alerts. To receive these notifications, update your phone number or email address in our customer outage notification portal at <https://www.mariettaga.gov/outagenotifications>.

For more information on how to prepare for a severe thunderstorm and a complete list of emergency kit items, visit [www.gema.georgia.gov/plan-prepare/ready-georgia](http://www.gema.georgia.gov/plan-prepare/ready-georgia).

Marietta Power and Water is here to serve you at any time. Please report power outages to us immediately so we can get to work right away restoring your electricity and your day. Report power outages by visiting [www.mariettapowerandwater.com](http://www.mariettapowerandwater.com) and clicking on the "Report an Outage" button in the lower right corner of the homepage navigation or by calling (770) 794-5160. 



# How to Check for Outdoor Water Leaks



Outdoor water leaks can have a major effect on your water bill. Even a small leak can waste gallons of water. To check for an outdoor leak, you should locate your meter. Turn off every water-using item inside and outside your home. Check the meter. If the detector dial or arrow is moving, you have a leak.

If you have a leak:

- Check your outside faucets and hoses for leaks. The most common outdoor leak occurs when a garden hose connects to a spigot.
- Use washers to eliminate leaks where hoses, spigots and watering devices connect. Also, using a nozzle with a shut off valve can help reduce unnecessary or overwatering.
- Make sure your sprinklers are properly adjusted and are watering your plants and not your sidewalk.

For more ways to save water, visit the Marietta Power and Water website at [www.mariettapowerandwater.com](http://www.mariettapowerandwater.com). 

## Calendar

Event information may have changed due to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Please confirm details with organizers before attending an event.

### Saturdays Year-Round

**Marietta Square Farmers Market**

9 a.m. to 12 noon

For more information, visit

[www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com](http://www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com).

You can also order from all of your favorite

vendors online. For more information, visit

[www.store.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com](http://www.store.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.com).

**Marietta Power and Water will be closed on Monday, July 5 in celebration of Independence Day.**

### Last Friday of Each Month, Now through September

**Glover Park Concert Series**

8 p.m., Free

July 30 – Next Level Band (Beach/Oldies)

August 27 – Glow Band (Classic Pop)

August 28 – Paradocts (Country/Pop)

September 24 – The Big Chicken Beatle Band (Hits of the Beatles)

The concerts are free, but if you are looking for a “front-row seat,” a limited number of tables can be reserved for a fee on the first working day of each month prior to the concert day. For more information, call (770) 794-5601.

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