### Flood Tip CANNED FOODS 101





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- Follow these steps for cleaning & sanitizing:



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• After air drying for 1 hour, re-label cans with a permanent marker if labels were removed.

# Throw out home-canned foods & damaged, all-metal cans if they have come in contact with flood water.

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Wash with Soap

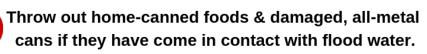
Rinse

Sanitize\*

Air Dry (At least 1 hr.)

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