

Flood Waters Hide Many Hazards

Take a look below the surface to discover the risks

In the air:

- Airborne viruses and bacteria
- Vapourized chemicals
- Mold spores
- Smoke and carcinogens

On the water:

- Gasoline, diesel fuel, and oil from vehicles
- Crude oil
- Other flammable substances

GERMS contaminate our bodies in many ways:

01

Absorbed through skin, mucous membranes, or open wounds.

02

Injected in contaminated food or water.

03

Inhaled into our lungs.

In the water:

- Dissolved pesticides and herbicides
- Lead, chromium, mercury and other heavy metals
- Sewage, manure, bacteria, and viruses
- Solvents and other dangerous chemicals

Under water:

- Sharp objects such as broken glass, nails, and entanglements
- Drop-offs, open sewer gates, and holes • Live electrical lines



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