Make sure you have an evacuation plan in place, and your three days worth of supplies (including medicine). If you have a disability or are elderly, identify a friend or neighbour who can assist you to get out of harm's way.

Have a ‘go bag’ ready in case you need to evacuate very quickly.

If at any stage you consider life or property in danger, phone 111 immediately.

Get emergency mobile alerts from the Red Cross Hazard App
Visit tcdc.govt.nz/subscribe to sign up for email alerts
ThamesCoromandelDistrictCouncil
@TC_DC

Listen to the following radio stations:
- More FM 93.9FM
- Kool FM 97.3FM
- The Breeze 96.7FM
- Radio NZ 819AM
- Newstalk ZB 1008AM

Download the Red Cross Hazard App

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Natural warnings

Local source tsunami
If you are on the coast and experience any of the following:
- Feel an earthquake that lasts longer than a minute or is strong enough to knock you off your feet
- See a sudden rise or fall in sea level or hear loud and unusual sounds from the sea
- Move immediately to the nearest high ground or move inland as far as you can

Tsunami siren - Single tone sounds continuously for 10 minutes
If you are in a coastal area prepare to evacuate immediately. Check for radio updates and your Red Cross Hazard app alerts. If the information confirms an immediate evacuation is advised, go as far up and as far inland as you can and keep listening to your local radio station for updates until you are advised it is safe to return.

Think: if it’s long, strong, be gone

Evacuate immediately. Waves can arrive in minutes or take over an hour.

Distant source tsunami
These are made by very strong earthquakes on the other side of the ocean. You will know they are coming because Civil Defence will send public messages out telling you what you need to do, so there’s no need to panic.

Think: if it’s far away, you’ve got all day

For more detailed information see www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/tsunamistrategy