

Do not throw away photos even if they are wet !

First aid for water damaged photos

If you leave photos, albums or film wet, bacteria and mold will grow on the surface, causing the deterioration over time. The key to preventing deterioration **as much as possible is to dry** all photos, albums and film in the shade as soon as possible and **remove any mud** where able. If it is dry enough, the procedure can be done slowly later.

DRY as soon as possible

Photo albums: Spread out



Spread out any photo albums to allow drying

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Do not leave it in bags !



If the photo is left in a plastic bag, it will be kept moist and humid, amplifying deterioration of the image. Take items out of bags as soon as possible and let it dry.

Overlapping photos:

Peel apart one by one

As photos may stick to each other and become difficult to remove, separate one by one while they are still wet and let them dry.



* Spread items out on the floor to dry or hang with clothes pegs to dry.

Framed photos:

Remove from the frame

If the photo dries against the glass, it may become stuck and will likely not come off, so remove the photo from the frame while wet as soon as possible and let dry.

* Should the photo become stuck to the glass it may be better to leave it as is, forcibly removing may cause further damage

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Mounted photos:

Unfold and Peel off

If attempting to dry the album as it is, the backing paper, photo, and interleaf paper will stick together, so remove the photo from the backing paper etc. to dry.

