

Grindavík

Area impacted by
natural disaster

Important safety
information about
visiting Grindavík.



**In case of
emergency,
call 112**

Safety guidelines

Important safety guidelines for
visitors entering Grindavík;

1. Evacuation will be announced via emergency alarms and text message.
2. In the event of an evacuation, leave the area immediately and follow the escape route signs.
3. Children are the responsibility of adults and must never leave their sight.
4. Stay out of fenced areas.
5. Avoid walking on the lava field, as it is unstable, very sharp and can be dangerously hot.
6. Do not enter private property.
7. Be cautious about stopping on the roadside on your way to town, as this increases the risk of serious traffic accidents.
8. Walking outside the town is strongly discouraged, fault movements and sinkholes can open without warning. The fall can be fatal.



RÝMINGARKORT GRINDAVÍK


Evacuation map | Mapa ewakuacyjna


Útgáfa 22.11.2014





GRINDAVÍKURBÆR


Skýringar / Legend


 **Meðfarvegur** / **Mezfaroweg**
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
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
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
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
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
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
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What to do if you hear the **emergency alarm?**

If the emergency alarm sounds, **leave the town immediately** using the nearest marked escape route and drive safely.

Security and emergency personnel are present in the town and will assist people.

Please note that the evacuation alarm is tested on the last Wednesday of every month **at 11:00.**

General information

Frequent and intense seismic activity on the Reykjanes Peninsula has been steadily increasing in recent years. This heightened activity has triggered both earthquakes and volcanic eruptions, with the town of Grindavík being evacuated due to the elevated risk in the area. During this time, the town sustained significant damage, including deep cracks forming both within and around the town, as well as severe damage to buildings. In January 2024, three houses in Grindavík were destroyed by flowing lava.

The town was reopened to the public in 2024. The situation will continue to be closely monitored, and if necessary, Grindavík may be evacuated again.

To enhance safety in Grindavík, several countermeasures have been put in place. Cracks have been sealed or fenced off. Stress tests have been conducted at repaired sites. Safety and warning signs have been placed around town and it is important to follow their instructions at all times.

The Executive
Committee for the
Issues of Grindavík

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Show caution, follow marked instructions and respect private property.



Evacuation will be announced via emergency alarms and text message.



Watch children at all times.



Follow instructions and do not enter closed areas.



Falling into faults and sinkholes can be fatal.

More information on:

www.visitreykjanes.is