

Hurricane/Severe Weather Information



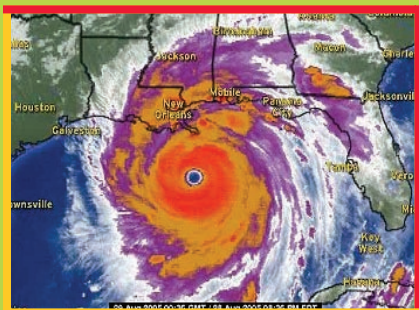
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**Natural disasters
disrupt normal life.**

Services become unavailable.

**Transportation and
mobility is hindered.**

**You may even be
forced to evacuate.**



Inside:

PERSONAL & FAMILY HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

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**Emergency/Severe Weather Work Info:
(866) 536-8300 - (985) 536-8300**

PERSONAL AND FAMILY HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

INITIAL PREPARATIONS

- Know the hurricane risks in your area
- Plan and prepare a present evacuation route
- Locate emergency shelters in your area
- Take inventory and prepare emergency equipment [e.g., flashlights, generator, radios, medical kit(s), etc]
- Stock up on water and non-perishable foods
- Take inventory and store enough plywood to properly secure your property
- Clear gutters and downspouts
- Keep trees and bushes trimmed
- Have your insurance policies reviewed (e.g., home, auto, etc.)
- Take accurate photographs of all your property (inside and out) and store in a safe place
- Locate main fuse box/circuit breaker, water service main, and natural gas main. Know how and when to shut off. Keep tools nearby



HURRICANE WATCH

- Listen to local TV or radio for official bulletins of the storm's progress
- Fuel and service family vehicles
- Secure mobile home tie-downs



- Prepare to cover window and door openings with shutters or plywood
- Stock up on canned food, water, batteries, first aid supplies, etc.
- Move all loose light-weight objects indoors (e.g., lawn furniture, garbage cans, etc.)
- Have emergency cash reserves on hand
- Wedge sliding glass doors to prevent them from moving off-track
- If you own a small boat, move it to a safe location



HURRICANE WARNING

- Closely monitor local TV and radio for official bulletins
- Complete preparation activities (e.g., storing loose objects, boarding windows, etc.)
- Do not stay in a mobile home!
- Leave food and water for pets
- Board garage and porch doors
- Move valuables to upper floors
- Move boats on trailers close to your house and fill them with water to weigh them down (use tie-downs to anchor trailer to ground or house)
- Stay inside away from windows on downside of the house
- If evacuating, leave early using your preset evacuation route
- Notify neighbors and family members of your evacuation plans



- Notify your immediate supervisor of your evacuation plans and be sure to leave a contact number*
- If moving to a shelter, make arrangements for pets*



PLAN TO EVACUATE IF...

- You live in a mobile home*
- You live in a high-rise*
- You live near a river or flood plain*
- You live outside of levee protection*
- You live in a low-lying inland area*

WHEN EVACUATING...

- Have a pre-set evacuation route*
- Leave early and during daylight hours*
- Travel light (valuables and important documents)*
- Take blankets, sleeping bags, flashlights, food, medication, infant needs, light weight chairs, etc.*
- Take food and water for your pets*
- Safely unplug all electronic equipment (e.g., computer, TV, etc.)*
- Shut off water, gas, and electricity before leaving, if instructed to do so*
- Drive to the nearest shelter, if you plan to stay at one. Register all members of your group. Be prepared to help shelter personnel*
- Notify neighbors, family, and supervisor of your evacuation plans*
- Lock your house*



IF STAYING HOME...

- Turn refrigerator to maximum cold and only open when necessary
- Turn off utilities if told to do so
- Turn off propane tanks
- Unplug all appliances
- Fill bathtub and large containers with water for sanitary purposes



IF THE WINDS BECOME STRONG...

- Stay away from windows and doors even if they are covered. Take refuge in a small interior room, closet, or hallway
- Close all interior doors and secure external doors
- While in a two-story house, take shelter in an interior first-floor room, bathroom, or closet
- Lie on the floor under a table or other sturdy object

AFTER THE STORM...

- Keep listening to TV or radio for updates
- Wait until area is safe before entering
- Roads may be closed for your safety. If an area is blocked off or flooded, turn around and go another route
- Avoid weakened bridges and flooded areas
- Use phones for emergencies only
- Do not use tap water to drink or prepare food unless you are certain it is not contaminated



- Be cautious when using chainsaws!
- Stay on firm ground, away from water (water and electricity do not mix!)
- Avoid candles or other open flames while indoors. Use flashlights
- Check gas, water, and electrical lines for damage. Report them immediately
- As soon as possible, try to make contact with the Port
- You may receive instructions through one of the following resources:
 - Command Center Hotline 1-866-536-8300
 - Local TV or radio stations - WWLTV 4, WDSU 6, WVUE 8, WGNO 26, WWL AM 870
 - Contact with immediate supervisor
 - Auxiliary Website - www.aapa-ports.org (American Association of Port Authorities) OR www.portsoflouisiana.org (Ports Association of LA.)



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If you do not have pre-established plans of evacuation, or if your plans change, please call

(866) 536-8300 or (985) 536-8300

to advise the Port of South Louisiana where you are and how you can be reached.

This information is important in order to provide employees with post-storm instructions on when and how to return to work.

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