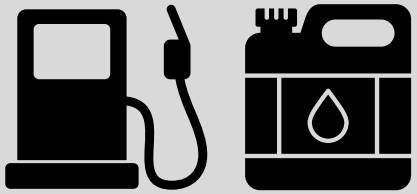


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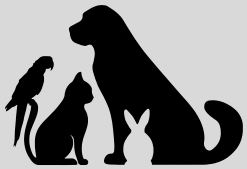
Be prepared to be without electricity during an emergency. Identify emergency lighting, safe heating alternatives, and backup power sources for your devices, appliances, and medical equipment.

- Emergency lighting, such as a flashlight, head lamp, or battery-powered lantern
- Extra batteries in common sizes, such as AA and AAA
- A generator with at least 20 feet of extension cord(s) and enough fuel to keep it running.
- Car charger(s), power banks, and adapters for home use equipment and devices
- A battery-powered or hand-crank NOAA weather radio with USB port(s)



When a tropical storm or hurricane watch is announced, it's imperative to immediately fill up vehicles, generators, and gas cans and be fully prepared. Don't wait until the storm has arrived. Fuel may be in low supply in the days after the storm has passed.

Don't Forget the Pets



Before a storm, ensure you have assembled essential items for each pet. Please ensure your pet has a collar with a name tag listing the owner's name and contact number in case of separation.

- Two-week supply of food, bottled water, and medication
- Water and food dishes
- Toys, Bedding, and Blankets
- Veterinary records– Rabies Certificate, Identification chip, tattoo number (if applicable)
- Current photo of pet (to prove you are the owner)
- Cleaning supplies (newspaper, plastic bags, disinfectant)
- Microchip or place identification information on your animals

IMPORTANT INFORMATION SOURCES



National Weather Service
weather.gov

Road Conditions
drivetexas.org

Entergy Power Outage Updates
etrviewoutage.com

City of Conroe
cityofconroe.org

CITY OF CONROE RESCUE PREVENTION FIRE DEPT

SEVERE WEATHER PREPARATION GUIDE

This brochure includes recommended essential preparation for severe weather events. The information contained may reflect something other than your medical and basic daily needs. Discuss preparations with your family and have a plan that supports your needs.

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HURRICANE SEASON

Hurricane season typically spans from June 1st to November 30th, with the highest concentration of storms occurring between June and October. These dates are just guidelines and do not guarantee the absence or presence of hurricanes.

It's crucial to prepare before hurricane season each year. This involves ensuring you and your family have a plan in place.

HURRICANE HAZZARDS

While hurricanes pose the greatest threat to life and property, tropical storms and depression also can be devastating. The primary hazards from tropical cyclones (which include tropical depressions, tropical storms, and hurricanes) are storm surge flooding, inland flooding from heavy rains, destructive winds, and tornadoes.

- Flooding from heavy rains is the second leading cause of fatalities from landfalling tropical cyclones. Widespread torrential rains associated with these storms often cause flooding hundreds of miles inland. This flooding can persist for several days after a storm has dissipated.
- Winds from a hurricane can destroy buildings and manufactured homes. Signs, roofing material, and other items left outside can become flying missiles during hurricanes.
- Tornadoes can accompany landfalling tropical cyclones. These tornadoes typically occur in rain bands well away from the center of the storm.

WARNINGS WATCHES ADVISORIES

WARNINGS

Tropical Storm Warning: Tropical storm conditions (sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph) are expected within your area within 36 hours.

Hurricane Warning: Hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 mph or greater) are expected somewhere within the specified area. National Weather Service issues a hurricane warning 36 hours in advance of tropical storm-force winds to give you time to complete your preparations. All preparations should be complete. Evacuate immediately if so ordered.

WATCHES

Tropical Storm Watch: Tropical storm conditions (sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph) are possible within the specified area within 48 hours.

Hurricane Watch: Hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 mph or greater) are possible within your area. Because it may not be safe to prepare for a hurricane once winds reach tropical storm force, The NHC issues hurricane watches 48 hours before it anticipates tropical-storm-force winds.

ADVISORIES

Tropical Cyclone Public Advisory: The Tropical Cyclone Public Advisory lists all current coastal watches and warnings associated with an ongoing or potential tropical cyclone, a post-tropical cyclone, or a subtropical cyclone. It also provides the cyclone position, maximum sustained winds, current motion, and a description of the hazards associated with the storm.



Recommended items for Emergency Supply Kits:

Take the time to prepare for a hurricane before a warning is issued. Don't wait until a hurricane or tropical storm is forming.

Remember to pack your daily clothing, self-care items, and toiletry needs if you need to evacuate.

- [ ] **Ready-to-eat canned foods**
- [ ] **Can opener**
- [ ] **Protein or fruit bars**
- [ ] **Dry cereal or granola**
- [ ] **Peanut butter**
- [ ] **Dried fruit**
- [ ] **Canned juices**
- [ ] **Non-perishable pasteurized milk**
- [ ] **High-energy foods**
- [ ] **Food for infants**
- [ ] **Comfort/stress foods**