

<p align="center"><i>Hurricane Season Family Preparation Checklist</i></p>	<p align="center"><i>To Do By Date</i></p>	<p align="center"><i>Done</i></p> 
<p>Have a Plan. Discuss with family members your own strategies for leaving the island or what to do in case of a disaster or family separation.</p>	June 1	
<p>Learn how to secure your own home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consider purchasing hurricane shutters if you don't already have them - Will you need sandbags? Are they available for delivery and placement around your home? 	June 1	
<p>Consider purchasing a generator, or, if you have one, ensure it is in working order and you know how to use it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under no circumstances should you use a generator indoors or in wet conditions. 	June 1	
<p>Consider an alternate communication system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keep a radio charged and conduct periodic checks - If you have a satellite phone or HAM radio ensure each is working 	June 1	
<p>Store supplies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5 gallons of water for every person at home - Food supply for 3-5 days - Medicines and bandages - Batteries and flashlights - Grill or other means of cooking without power - Hurricane Action Plan and Embassy phone list - Extra gas for generator, grill 	June 1	
<p>Check condition of safety equipment: shutters, generator, radio, etc.</p>	June 1	
<p>Prepare Power of Attorney (if needed) for possible evacuation or childcare</p>	June 1	
<p>Pack for possible evacuation or relocation to shelter</p>	5days out	
<p>Make arrangements for pets: shelter, food, litter box, pet carrier, identification, health certificates</p>	5days out	
<p>Sterilize your bathtub and fill with water in event water services are disrupted</p>	2 days out	
<p>Fill the gas tank in your vehicle</p>	2 days out	
<p>Charge your cell phone, iPods, radio, etc.</p>	1 day out	
<p>Turn your refrigerator/freezer down to its coldest setting and open only when necessary.</p>	1 day out	
<p>Monitor news for the latest updates – stay informed. Do not believe rumors. Tune in to weather channels and websites.</p>	Always	
<p>Travel. If you plan to go on vacation (employee or family members) during hurricane season (June 1 – November 30), inform someone in your family of your whereabouts – leave a copy of your itinerary.</p>	Always	

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Family Disaster Plan

- ✓ Discuss the type of hazards that could affect your family. Know your home's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding and wind.
- ✓ Locate a safe room or the safest areas in your home for each hurricane hazard. In certain circumstances, the safest area may not be your home but within your community.
- ✓ Determine escape routes from your home and places to meet in case family members are separated. The plan should be well known even to the children of the house.
- ✓ Have an out-of-state friend as a family contact, so all your family members have a single point of contact outside of the disaster area.
- ✓ Make a plan now for what to do with your pets if you need to evacuate and keep your pet's vaccination and health records in a safe place along with your travel documents.
- ✓ Post emergency telephone numbers by your phones and make sure your children know how and when to call 911.
- ✓ Check your insurance coverage – flood damage is not usually covered by homeowners insurance.
- ✓ Stock non-perishable emergency supplies and a Disaster Supply Kit.
- ✓ Use a NOAA weather radio. Remember to replace its battery every 6 months, as you do with your smoke detectors.
- ✓ Take First Aid, CPR and disaster preparedness classes.