



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

Below is a checklist that includes tips from the [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#), the [American Red Cross](#) and the [National Hurricane Center](#).

- Restock your emergency preparedness kit: Food and water sufficient for at least three days, medications, a flashlight, batteries, cash and first aid supplies
- Have a communication plan in the case that you lose power
- Review your evacuation route and shelter locations
- Fill your gas tank
- Keep a local radio or weather radio
- Keep an emergency “go bag” with clothes and emergency supplies
- Keep cell phones charged
- Make sure pets have proper ID tags
- Fill bathtubs with water
- Turn off propane tanks
- Buy a fire extinguisher
- Have a first-aid kit handy
- Have paper plates, cups, toilet paper and paper towels on hand
- Have disinfectant, rain gear and sturdy shoes
- Have a stock of non-perishable/canned foods with a manual can opener
- Have local maps
- Have moist towelettes and garbage bags for personal sanitation
- Have a dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting
- Have one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days
- Have infant formula, clean bottles, diapers and wipes
- Have a bag of pain relievers, anti-diarrhea medication, and allergy medicine
- Have sleeping bags and blankets
- Keep a whistle to signal help and matches in a waterproof container
- Have feminine supplies and personal hygiene items
- Keep a wrench or pliers to turn off utilities and jumper cables
- Make sure to have any prescription medication and glasses
- Have a supply of pet food and water
- Buy household chlorine bleach and a medicine dropper – According to FEMA, when diluted nine parts water to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. In an emergency, you can use 16 drops of unscented, regular liquid bleach per gallon of water.