



#1 SEVERE WEATHER COVERAGE

YOUR FAMILY PLAN

WHAT EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW TO BE **HURRICANE READY**

WPBF 25 is committed to getting you hurricane ready. We are helping prepare and educate your family with a disaster plan at the beginning of hurricane season. Planning ahead will save time, stress, and even lives. Trust WPBF 25 First Warning Weather, the only local team certified most accurate for eleven years and number one in severe weather coverage. Your

Hurricane Watch:

(48 Hours Before Potential Impact)

- Stay tuned to WPBF 25 First Warning Weather for storm updates on WPBF 25, the WPBF 25 News App, WPBF.com, our social media pages, or stream on Very Local.
- Prepare to bring inside any lawn furniture, outdoor decorations or ornaments, trash cans, hanging plants, and anything else that can be picked up by the wind.
- Prepare to cover all windows of your home. If shutters have not been installed, use precut plywood. Note: Tape does not prevent windows from breaking, so taping windows is not recommended.
- Fill your car's gas tank. In case of power outages, visit your bank's ATM and withdraw cash.
- Recheck manufactured home tie-downs.
- Check batteries and stock up on canned food, first aid supplies, drinking water, and medications.

Hurricane Warning:

(36 Hours Before Possible Impact)

- Listen to the advice of local officials, and leave if they tell you to do so.
- If you are not advised to evacuate, stay indoors, away from windows.
- Be aware that the calm "eye" is deceptive; the storm is not over. The worst part of the storm will happen once the eye passes over and the winds blow from the opposite direction. Trees, shrubs, buildings, and other objects damaged by the first winds can be broken or destroyed by the second winds.
- Be alert for tornadoes. Tornadoes can happen during a hurricane and after it passes over.
- Remain indoors, in the center of your home, in a closet or bathroom without windows.

Hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30, however storms can develop before and after the official dates.



Storm Terms:

Based on maximum sustained winds in miles per hour.

Tropical Depression

Less than 38

Tropical Storm

39-73

Hurricane Category

Cat 1 74-95

Cat 2 96-110

Cat 3 111-129

Cat 4 130-156

Cat 5 155+



Storm Surge:



Storm surge is an abnormal rise of water generated by a storm and pushed inland from the shoreline. This is the number one killer and greatest threat to property during a hurricane or tropical storm.

HURRICANE READY SUPPLY LIST

First Aid / Health

- ☐ Prescription Medicine (Two-week supply)
- ☐ First Aid Kit
- ☐ Insect Repellent
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Disinfectant

Non-Perishable Foods

- ☐ 1 Gallon of Water Per Person/Per Day
- ☐ Canned Meats, Fruit, Vegetables and Soups
- ☐ Cereal and Protein Bars
- ☐ Crackers and Cookies
- ☐ Peanut Butter, Nuts and Seeds
- ☐ Dried Fruits and Jerky
- ☐ Baby Food/Formula
- ☐ Pet Food and Medicine
- ☐ Ice Chest and Ice
- ☐ Manual Can Opener

Note: Local emergency leaders recommend a 3-5 day supply of non-perishable food items per person.

Power Outage

- ☐ Fully-Charged Power Banks
- ☐ Spare Batteries
- ☐ Flashlights / Lantern
- ☐ Matches / Sterno
- ☐ Fuel for Generators and Cars
- ☐ Propane Gas (for grills)

Emergency Repairs

- ☐ Plastic Sheeting / Tarp
- ☐ Duct or Masking Tape
- ☐ Nails, Rope, Lumber and Tools
- ☐ Plastic Garbage Bags
- ☐ Work Gloves

Important Phone Numbers

FPL Outage	800-468-8243
FEMA	800-621-3362
Crisis Helpline	211
Medical, Fire, or Police Emergency	911
American Red Cross	
Palm Beach County	561-833-7711
Treasure Coast	772-287-2002

Local Emergency Operations Centers

Palm Beach Co.	561-712-6400
Martin Co.	772-287-1652
St. Lucie Co.	772-462-8100
Indian River Co.	772-226-3900
Okeechobee Co.	863-763-3212

What is a Safe Room?

A safe room is an interior room on the first floor of a home, with no windows, such as a closet, bathroom or small storage room. Identify this space in your home ahead of severe weather. Your safe room should have the following items:

- ☐ Bottled water
- ☐ Snacks
- ☐ Blankets, pillows
- ☐ Flashlights, batteries, power banks
- ☐ Smart device or radio to be able to watch or listen to WPBF 25 storm coverage



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