

BEFORE A HURRICANE

Follow these prevention tips



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BE PREPARED FOR HURRICANE SEASON!

MAKE A PLAN

Include:

- Family contact numbers
 - Escape routes
 - Meeting points
- Important emergency numbers



HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE

PLAN
FOR YOUR
PETS

Pets are also important members of many households, and like people, they too are affected by disasters.

REMEMBER TO INCLUDE SUPPLIES FOR YOUR PETS WHEN PUTTING TOGETHER YOUR EMERGENCY SUPPLIES.








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IDENTIFY ALL EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

-  **Wheelchairs**
-  **Canes**
-  **Hearing Aids**
-  **Glasses**
-  **Extra Batteries, Etc.**



ASSIST THE VULNERABLE TO PREPARE FOR DISASTERS

Disasters can affect us all, regardless of circumstance, which is why we need to adequately prepare ourselves and those around us.

Take the time to think about at least one person in your family or community who needs special assistance in assembling an emergency kit, cleaning up their yard or writing an emergency plan.

ONE SMALL ACT CAN GO A LONG WAY IN MAKING
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO DISASTER READY!

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TIPS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

DURING HURRICANE SEASON

FOLLOW 3 BASIC STEPS:

- 1 **CREATE** an emergency kit
- 2 **MAKE** a plan
- 3 **STAY** informed

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IDENTIFY WHO CAN ASSIST YOU IN AN EMERGENCY:

- 1 **MAKE SURE** they have keys to the house
- 2 **MAKE SURE** they know how to use any medical or mobility equipment
- 3 **MAKE SURE** they are familiar with the location and dosage of medications

IDENTIFY AND KNOW:

- 1 Evacuation route
- 2 Emergency contacts
- 3 The nearest alternative location where you can safely stay



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TIPS FOR HOMES

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Develop an emergency communication plan.

Make sure that all family members know what to do. Teach family members how and when to turn off gas, electricity, and water. Teach children how and when to call police or fire department and which radio station to tune to for emergency information. In case family members are separated, during a disaster.



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Have disaster
supplies on hand.



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**Check into your Home
and Auto Insurance:**

**Confirm that policies are valid
and coverage is appropriate.**



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Protect your windows:

Permanent shutters are the best protection. A lower-cost approach is to put up plywood panels. Use 1/2 inch plywood—marine plywood is best—cut to fit each window. Remember to mark which board fits which window. Pre-drill holes every 18 inches for screws. Do this long before the storm.



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Make arrangements
for pets and livestock:

Pets are NOT allowed into emergency shelters for health and space reasons. Contact your local humane society for information on animal shelters.



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Trim back
branches from trees:

Trim branches away from your home
and cut all dead or weak branches
on any trees on your property.



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Know your
Emergency Shelters:

Contact the Local Disaster Management Unit
(DMU) for the closest shelters.



ITEMS EVACUEES SHOULD BRING TO THE SHELTER



- Canned foods and other non-perishables for 72 hrs.
- Water for drinking (one gallon per person, per day)
- First aid kit
- Special medication
- Special foods (if on diet, baby food, etc.)
- Special aids to support walking for persons with a disability (wheelchair, walkers, etc.)
- Flashlight
- Transistor radio
- Extra batteries
- Cots and sleeping bags
- Blankets and sheets
- Diaper and other baby needs if the shelteree has a baby
- Can opener
- Pillows
- Books, games, and toys
- Mask and sanitizer

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EMERGENCY NUMBERS! BE PREPARED!



KNOW YOUR EMERGENCY NUMBERS!



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