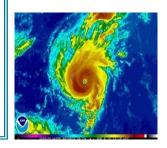


Shaw AFB Emergency Management S.I.R.E.N

Survival Information and Readiness Educational Newsletter



Did You Know?

Hurricanes can reach as far as 100 miles inland before weaken-ing to become a tropical storm or depression. Shaw AFB is approximately 103 miles from the coast of North Myrtle Beach. A large scale hurricane could potentially affect us. Even a tropical storm can be damaging to this area. High winds, torrential rainfall, flooding, tornadoes, and hail are all possible. Are you prepared for hurricane season?

Hurricane Watch - conditions are favorable, issued 48 hours in advance, complete storm preparations and be prepared to evacuate if directed.

Hurricane Warning - hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 mph or higher) are possible within the specified area, evacuate if directed

Emergency Notification

Remember! If you hear a 3-5 minute steady tone, a disaster or incident is imminent or in progress. Take shelter immedately, or evacuate if needed.

For more information, check out the Shaw AFB Facebook page!





Download the FREE Be Ready app on your android or iPhone! Military, Civilians and Family Member can use this app to create family checklists and plans for any emergency. You can also store important documents and phone numbers.

Hurricane Conditions (HURCON)

HURCON 5: Destructive winds are possible within 96 hours **HURCON 4:** Destructive winds are possible within 72 hours **HURCON 3:** Destructive winds are possible within 48 hours **HURCON 2:** Destructive winds anticipated within 24 hours **HURCON 1:** Destructive winds anticipated within 12 hours **HURCON 1C:** Winds of 40-57 mph sustained occurring

HURCON 1E: Winds of 58 mph/gust 69 mph or greater occurring

HURCON 1R: "Recovery" Winds have subsided

Storm Levels		
CATEGORY 1	74 - 95 mph	Minimal: Some damage to roofs, siding gutters, trees and power lines
CATEGORY 2	96 - 110 mph	Moderate: Dangerous winds could cause extensive damage to home and buildings
CATEGORY 3	111 - 129 mph	Moderate: Devastating damage to homes and other buildings
CATEGORY 4	130 - 156 mph	Extreme: Catastrophic damage to roofs and exterior walls of homes and buildings
CATEGORY 5	157+ mph	Catastrophic: Many framed homes will be destroyed by total roof Failure and wall collapse

Basic Disaster Supplies Kit



 "South Carolina Hurricane Guide"



 Bottled water (2 gallons per person per day)



 Non-perishable food (for at least 3 days)



 Portable radio with extra batteries



 Plastic dishes, eating utensils



 Pet supplies (food, leash, carrier, vaccination records)



 First Aid Kit (including prescription medications)



 Bedding & clothing for each family membe



 Soap, shampoo, other personal hygiene items



NOAA Weather Radio



 Rain jackets, pants, boots



 Sunglasses, mosquito repellent, sunscreen



 Flashlight(s) with extra batteries



Blankets, towels



 Important documents (driver's license, Social Security card, proof of residence, insurance policies, wills, deeds, birth and marriage certificates, tax



(enough to fill up a vehicle with gas)

Mobile device chargers



Baby supplies
 (food, diapers, medication)



Hand sanitizer



wills, deeds, birth and marriage certificates, tax records, medical records, family pictures, etc.)



Toothbrush, toothpaste