

5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT HAVING AN EVACUATION PLAN



1 Find out if you would need to evacuate. Don't travel hundreds of miles, only far enough away from the evacuation area.



2 Plan your evacuation route. Have an alternate route.



3 Leave when ordered to do so. Do not wait.



4 Communicate your plan with someone not in the storm's path.



5 Plan for your pets. Most local shelters do not permit them.



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5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT STRENGTHENING YOUR HOME



1 Keep trees around your home trimmed well before a storm to prevent damage from broken branches.



2 Have the proper materials in advance to board up your windows to protect them from flying debris.



3 Bring loose outdoor items such as patio furniture inside. They can blow around and cause damage to homes.



4 Secure all doors on your property. Remember that the garage door is usually the most vulnerable.



5 Move your car inside a garage or to another secure location.



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5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT UPDATING YOUR INSURANCE



1 Check your insurance policies well ahead of the storm to see what is covered.



2 Make sure you have flood insurance. Flooding is the leading cause of damage from tropical systems.



3 Visit floodsmart.gov to learn about your flood risk and flood insurance options for your area.



4 Prepare your home and vehicles according to your specific insurance policies to ensure damages are covered.



5 Know where your insurance documents and contact information are located. Take them with you if you evacuate.



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5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT WHERE TO GET HURRICANE INFO



1 Television - Tune in to your trusted local news source.



2 Phone - Access mobile.weather.gov on your mobile phone and get Wireless Emergency Alerts.



3 Radio - Receive forecast information and news on your NOAA Weather Radio.



4 Social Media - Stay in touch with friends and family and receive updates from your trusted sources of information.



5 Computer - Access information from weather.gov, ready.gov and flash.org



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