

SAFETY TALK

Environmental Health and Safety Newsletter

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Hurricane Season

The storm season is upon us and since there is usually a public warning, anyone who may be in the path of a hurricane should be ready. Careful preparation and planning before a storm arrives will help minimize damage, loss and grief. The following is a short listing of what could be done to prepare yourself and your family during this season.

PRIOR TO THE HURRICANE:

- Secure all loose objects outdoors.
- Fill your vehicle with fuel.
- Charge all batteries (i.e., phone, lamps, flashlights, radios, etc.). Ensure you have extra batteries as well.
- Listen to the emergency broadcasts of the storm.
- Be prepared to evacuate and transport emergency supplies, kits and clothing to a predetermined location.
- Sign up to receive SB Alerts on your phone if you have not done so already.

DURING A HURRICANE:

- Stay indoors and away from windows. Keep to the center of the building on the ground level.
- Listen to the emergency broadcast on the radio or television.
- Turn off all electrical devices and appliances that are not needed.
- Stay away from coastal waters, rivers, streams and other areas where flooding may occur.
- Do not try to cross flooded areas with your vehicle.

AFTER THE STORM:

- Make sure that all is definitely clear outside, and the storm has completely passed before going out.
- Report downed power lines, and stay away from them.
- Be patient. Things may take a while before they return to normal.

Remember that a Hurricane Watch means the onset of hurricane conditions is possible within 36 hours; a Hurricane Warning means the onset of hurricane conditions is likely within 24 hours.

University "ALERT" Hotline (631) 632-5378

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