

WEB RESOURCES



Preparedness Information

www.ready.gov and

<http://www.floridadisaster.org/family/>

Emergency At Home Supply Kit:

<http://www.ready.gov/america/getakit/index.html>

Emergency Evacuation Supply Kit:

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/disaster/factsheets/html/96-1.html>

Family's Emergency Evacuation Plans:

<http://www.ready.gov/america/getakit/index.html>

Wind Storm Home Protection and Qualified inspectors:

<http://www.mysafefloridahome.com/>

Preparing children:

http://www.fema.gov/rebuild/recover/cope_child.shtm

Ensuring your pet's safety:

<http://www.ready.gov/america/getakit/pets.html>.

Individuals with disabilities and other special needs:

<http://www.ready.gov/america/getakit/disabled.html>

Taking Care of Senior

<http://www.redcross.org>

Pandemic Flu

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/>

<http://www.cdc.gov/>

DEFINITIONS

Hurricane - A devastating powerhouse of wind, rain and surf. With fierce winds in excess of 74 miles per hour revolving counter-clockwise around a low atmospheric pressure eye.

Tropical Depression - A tropical cyclone in which maximum sustained surface winds are 38 miles per hour or less.

Tropical Storm - A warm-core tropical cyclone in which the maximum sustained winds range from 39 to 73 miles per hour.

Evacuation Time - The lead-time that a populated coastal jurisdiction must have to safely relocate all residents of vulnerable areas from an approaching hurricane.

Tropical Storm Watch - Issued when tropical storm conditions, including winds of 39 to 73 miles per hour, pose a possible threat to a specified coastal area. The time period generally is within 36 hours.

Hurricane Watch - Issued for a specified coastal area for which a hurricane or an incipient hurricane conditions is a possible threat. The time period generally is within 36 hours.

Tropical Storm Warning - Issued when tropical storm conditions, including winds of 39 to 73 miles per hour, are expected in a specified coastal area. The time period generally is within 24 hours.

Hurricane Warning - Issued when sustained winds of 74 miles per hour or greater, caused by a hurricane, are expected in a specified coastal area. The time period generally is within 24 hours.

Hurricane Eye - The eye is the relatively calm center of a hurricane where winds are light and skies can appear partly cloudy to clear.

Hurricane Eye Wall - The hurricane eye wall is an organized band of intense convection immediately surrounding the eye of a tropical cyclone. The strongest winds of a hurricane are found in the eye wall.

Storm Tide - The combination of the storm surge and the normal astronomical tide. If the storm surge arrives at the same time as the high tide, the water height will be even greater.

Storm Surge - A large dome of water often 50 to 100 miles wide that sweeps across the coastline near the area where a hurricane makes landfall. The stronger the hurricane and the shallower the offshore water, the higher the surge will be. Along the immediate coast, storm surge is the greatest threat to life and property.