

Hurricane Guide



Are You Prepared???

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Hurricane Preparedness

About Hurricances

Hurricane Season: June 1 – Nov. 30

Hurricane Watch: Issued when there is a threat of hurricane conditions in the upcoming 24 – 36 Hours

Hurricane Warning: Issued when hurricane conditions (min. wind speed, 74 MPH) are expected in a specific area in the next 24 hours

Eye: The circular center of the storm, where calm weather can be found, even as the hurricane rages around it. The eye is surrounded by the eyewall, where the winds are the Strongest

Storm Surge: The steady rise of water onto land in advance of a hurricane. The surge comes on top of the tides and is accompanied by large battering waves, which can be extremely destructive.

Tropical Disturbance: A disorganized tropical weather system that holds potential to develop into a storm or hurricane. It may or may not be associated with high winds.

Tropical Depression: A tropical cyclone with maximum sustained winds of up to 38 MPH and closed circulation.

Tropical Storm: A tropical cyclone with maximum sustained winds from 39 MPH to 73 MPH. Tropical storms generally have a more concentrated center with organized rain bands.

Hurricane: When maximum winds reach 74 MPH, tropical storms become hurricanes. Category 3 and higher systems are considered major hurricanes. Below are the five categories.

	Wind Speed	
Category 1 Hurricane:	74 – 95 MPH	Damage potential - Minimal
Category 2 Hurricane:	96 – 110 MPH	Damage potential - Moderate
Category 3 Hurricane:	111 – 130 MPH	Damage potential - Extensive
Category 4 Hurricane:	131 – 155 MPH	Damage potential - Extreme
Category 5 Hurricane:	155 MPH +	Damage potential - Catastrophic

Understanding your Insurance Policy

Make sure that you have read your policy and understand the coverage's contained in the policy; including what is, and what is not covered.

If you have questions, call our office at 800-564-6669 (800-JOIN-NOW), and speak with one of our knowledgeable, friendly staff members.

Be sure that you review your policy every year to account for a rise in material costs, labor, and inflation.

Flood insurance can also be purchased separately if you want it.

Flood policies are not in effect until 30 days AFTER payment is made, so plan ahead. For information about the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), please visit www.floodsmart.gov.

Inventory Your Belongings

It is always a good idea to keep track of your belongings in case of hurricane, theft, or any other unfortunate event where you may need to report lost, stolen, or damaged items to the police or to your insurance company.

One simple way to inventory your home is with pictures. A video camera taken through your house and zooming in on items of value can be done simply and cheaply. As you zoom in on specific items, verbally detail where the items were purchased, when purchased, and what you paid for them. A digital camera can also serve this function, as long as you note the purchase details on each photo.

Save receipts for big-ticket items like cameras, TVs, major appliances.

Keep your videos inventory, photos, receipts and any appraisals you may have in water proof containers in a safe off-site location, such as a safe deposit box. Update your survey at least once a year, or when new items of significant value are added.

The Insurance Information Institute offers free software to help you inventory your valuables and other possessions. Visit www.knowyourstuff.org for more information.

What to do before a Hurricane

- ❖ Make a plan that involves the whole family
 - Include an escape plan and meeting place for family members in the event that not everybody is together
 - Children have special physical and emotional needs for severe storms such as hurricanes. See “Preparing children for a hurricane” in the next section
- ❖ Make a video inventory of all of your belongings
 - See “Inventory Your Belongings” above
- ❖ Secure all of your important documents (for each member of the family) in waterproof containers or store copies at an off-site location such as a safety deposit box
 - Include ID
 - Copy of your driver license
 - Passports/Visas, Green cards
 - SS card
 - Voter registration cards
 - Financial
 - Insurance policies
 - Financial records (bank account statements, investment records, employer benefits statements, bills, credit card statements, and mortgage or other loan information)
 - Income tax records
 - Other important legal documents
 - Wills, trusts, deeds & registrations for properties owned, etc.
 - In addition to these important financial and legal documents, consider having a special watertight container set aside for photos and other important memorabilia
- ❖ Decide where your family wants to be during the storm; this may be the toughest decision, so make it early
 - Have back up plans ready
 - If you plan to stay in your home you should still know where your local shelters are and have directions printed out and ready
 - Make sure friends/relatives outside of the storm area know your plans
- ❖ Buy supplies early, especially big items like generators
- ❖ *****If you lose power and have a portable generator NEVER run a generator indoors or anywhere the fumes/exhaust could be drawn into the house!**
- ❖ Bring inside loose objects such as bikes, lawn furniture or decorations, garbage pails, tools, hoses
- ❖ Take down items like wind chimes or potted plants
 - In hurricane force winds these items can become destructive missiles
- ❖ Secure items that cannot be moved like grills or trellises
- ❖ Swimming pools are best left about $\frac{3}{4}$ full
 - The water will weight down the pool and protect the sides (especially in ground pools) against the increased pressure of ground water
- ❖ Fasten gates
- ❖ Protect your windows from breakage
 - Permanent storm shutters offer the best protection for windows

- A second option is to board up windows with 5/8" marine plywood, cut to fit and ready to install
- Tape does not prevent windows from breaking
- ❖ Brace external doors as well as the garage door
- ❖ Close and secure all interior doors
- ❖ Stay away from windows and doors even if they are covered
- ❖ Close chimney flues
- ❖ Make sure drains, gutters and downspouts are clear
- ❖ Turn off utilities (water, gas, and electricity) if told to do so by authorities
 - Also make sure that circuit breakers are turned off as well
 - Turn off propane tanks
- ❖ Turn refrigerator to maximum cold and open only when necessary
 - Unplug other appliances
- ❖ Fill zip lock bags with ice and freeze
 - These can help protect perishable items if the power should fail
- ❖ Remain indoors
 - Don't be fooled by the calm of the storm's eye
 - The other side of the eye has winds that will rapidly increase and come from the opposite direction. (see "Eye of the Hurricane" below)
- ❖ If using candles, use them with great care and keep away from flammable items like draperies or paper
 - Keep candles securely away from children and pets
- ❖ Determine a safe room within your home, preferably away from window and external doors
 - Stock this room with:
 - Emergency food and water
 - Bedding and warm blankets and pillows
 - Clothing
 - Necessary medication
 - Battery operated radio or TV
 - Flashlights (one for each member of the family is best)
 - Extra batteries
 - Games or toys to keep you and the children amused
 - In a one-story home, the safest room is often a bathroom or walk-in closet near the center of the house
 - The strongest wall in a two-story home is often near the stairwell
 - A first floor closet near the stairs may be the safest spot
- ❖ Plan emergency escape routes from your home to safety, in case the need arises
- ❖ Have a plan for your pets in case you need to evacuate
 - Some counties have pet friendly emergency shelters
 - Check with local authorities to find the nearest "pet friendly" shelter
 - Be sure to pre-register to use a pet friendly shelter
 - Make certain you have appropriate sized crates or carriers available to transport your pets
 - Make certain pets are tagged with identification

- For more information on preparing for emergencies with pets, visit **www.petsafecoalition.org**
- ❖ Use an out of state family member or friend as an emergency contact
 - Make sure all family members have that phone number
- ❖ Keep a list of emergency phone numbers, along with the out of state family member, close by and easily accessible
- ❖ Avoid using the phone unless it is an emergency
- ❖ Have a supply of cash in small denominations handy
 - If power goes out, ATMs and credit cards will not work
 - You may have need of food or supplies and credit card terminals may not work

PREPARING CHILDREN FOR A HURRICANE

- Prepare children in the event they get physically separated from guardians or adults.
- Establish a family meeting place
- Give older children ID & contact numbers
- For children too young to speak for themselves, you can write the information on their hand or arm with a sharpie marker (ink can be removed later with rubbing alcohol)
- Make certain the child knows where the safest place to be in your home is. Make certain they know “outside” is NOT a good place to be in a storm of any type.
- Let children help you with the hurricane preparation. There are many things they can do that will let them feel they are part of the “hurricane team”. Depending on the age of the child:
 - Let them help fill water jugs
 - Help pack the food and snack supplies
 - Pack some crayons, coloring books, small toys, playing cards that can help keep them and other family members busy during the storm
 - If possible, let them pack their own small ‘hurricane kit’ which could include their favorite blanket, doll, toy, etc.
 - Let them check all flashlights and radios and replace batteries as needed
 - Help them learn (age appropriate) facts about hurricanes
 - Take advantage of the situation to make this an educational experience. What causes a hurricane, What is the “eye” of the hurricane, where do they start, etc
- Taking the unknown out of the storm, letting children know you are taking safety precautions, and letting them help prepare will empower your child and the world will not seem to be spiraling out of control
- After the storm is over, there are still dangers that can harm your child outside
 - Warn children to avoid flooded areas and downed power lines and dangerous debris
 - Have them bring any of those dangers to your attention immediately
- FEMA has an excellent website with fun games and stories to prepare and educate children about hurricanes and other emergencies
 - <http://www.fema.gov/kids/>

EYE OF THE HURRICANE

Suddenly, during the middle of a hurricane, the weather may calm, indicating the storm's eye is overhead. Here are some things to know about the eye of the storm:

- The calm is the “eye of the hurricane”, the relatively small circular center of the storm.
- The calm can last from 30 seconds to thirty minutes, depending on the size of the eye and your location.
- Winds will return – from another direction – after the eye passes through.
- **Don't leave your shelter at any time during a hurricane unless you must deal with situations that could be fatal without your intervention.**

If you need to evacuate

Prepare in advance your **Emergency Go Kit**

(Use sturdy, easy-to-carry containers like a back pack, duffle bag, suitcase-on-wheels or covered plastic bin) (Rotate the stock in your Go Kit every 6 months)

- **Water:** At least 1 gallon daily per person for 3 – 7 days.
- **Food:** Enough for 3–7 days. Nonperishable packaged (applesauce or fruit) or canned food (tuna & chicken) and juices, food for infants or the elderly, and snacks (energy bars, dried fruits & nuts). You will want to have foods that are nutritious, require no refrigeration and no preparation or cooking and little or no water.
- **Utilities:** Non-electric can opener, cooking tools and fuel, paper plates & plastic utensils. A few rolls of paper towels. Several heavy duty trash bags. Soap and bleach (non-scented). Heavy-duty work gloves. Some basic tools.
- **Clothing:** Warm coats, rain gear, sturdy shoes (bring a spare dry pair), extra socks.
- **Map:** You may need to change your plans and back-up plans can take you into unfamiliar territory or normal roads may be washed out and impassable.
- **First Aid Kit:** Include medicine & prescription drugs along with traditional first aid items. Include eyeglasses and contact lenses (and cleaning solutions).
- **Baby Supplies:** Diapers, wipes, baby food, formula, spare bottles. Extra clothing.
- **Children:** Small games/toys to keep children occupied and/or comforted.
- **Other Essentials:** Remember toiletries, blankets, pillows, flashlight & batteries, battery operated radio, fully charged cellphone w/ an extra battery, cash, Credit/ATM cards, keys, fire extinguisher, rope, wooden matches.
- **Important Documents:** Keep insurance, medical records, bank account numbers, Social Security card, etc. in waterproof container or watertight plastic bag
- **Pet Items:** Identification, immunization records, medications, 2 week supply of food & water, carrier or cage, muzzle & leash, a familiar blanket or towel to help comfort the pet. If you are evacuating to a shelter, remember that most public shelters will not allow pets, only assisted living dogs. You will need to make prior arrangements for sheltering your pet. If your pet is to be left behind, leave a supply of water and food available to them and never tether the animal.

Before Evacuating

- Move items that can be damaged by water to higher levels of your home and away from windows, if possible.
- Be sure you have a full tank of gas in your car. A hurricane evacuation order will most likely come too late to make plane, train, or bus reservations. Also, gas stations may lose power and be unable to pump gas for you.
- Leave home promptly if ordered to evacuate.
- Know the route to your nearest shelter. Have directions printed up before hand, computers may not function if power is out.
- If the storm is imminent, go to your nearest shelter. You do not wish to be caught on the road in the storm.
- Listen to the radio for additional instructions.
- If traveling when the storm hits, find shelter immediately.

What to do when you return home:

- Do a full inspection of your home, inside and out. Inspect each room looking for leaks, structural damage, water damaged items, broken glass, and any other hazard(s) that may prevent you from returning to your normal living conditions.
- Inspect the exterior of the home and the foundation for cracks, damaged power lines, gas leaks, or other damage.
- Treat all cables and wires, inside and out, as if they are electrically charged.
- Check trees for broken branches or signs that some branches have been weakened or cracked and may come down unexpectedly.
- **DO NOT enter the home if you smell gas, if there is still floodwater around the building or if your home was damaged by fire and authorities have not declared it safe.**
- If OK to return, turn ON all utilities that were turned off prior to leaving only if it is safe to do so.
- Take an inventory of all items that were damaged; include photo documentation.
- Throw out all food or other supplies that may have become contaminated.
- If your home is not habitable, make arrangements for accommodations and leave the home, making certain that the premises is secure.

Call your insurer right after the storm

Once the storm has passed and you are able to return home, call TSC>Direct if you have damage covered under your policy.

- If you find damage and need to report a claim, call *TSC>Direct* immediately; 516-681-9400, 718-895-0036, or 1-800-JOIN-NOW (1-800-564-6669)
 - Our friendly and helpful representatives will explain the claims process to you and have one of our Claim Adjustor's call you to set an appointment that is convenient for you. They will then inspect and assess the damage done to your home, allowing you to get things back to normal as quickly as possible.

Begin to make temporary repairs to prevent further damage. Save all receipts.

Do not make permanent repairs until after an insurance adjustor has fully inspected the property.

If your home is uninhabitable, or you move somewhere temporarily, be sure to tell your insurer, as they will need to contact you.

Get several estimates for repairs to your home, outlining the materials used and how long repairs will take; present them to your adjustor.

*******Be wary of anyone who shows up unannounced after the storm, offering to work. These are often people who are looking to make quick money off a hurricane, and may not be licensed or insured to do the necessary repairs. Be on the lookout for profiteers and price gougers.

Emergency contact numbers for local authorities

- **Emergencies** **911**
- **NYC Residents** **311**
- **Red Cross (Nassau)** **516-747-3500**
- **Red Cross (Suffolk)** **631-924-6700**
- **Red Cross (NYC)** **212-875-2000**
- **Red Cross (Orange County)** **845-294-9785**
- **Red Cross (Rockland County)** **845-358-0833**
- **Nassau County Office of Emergency Management** **516-573-0636**
- **Nassau County Department of Health** **516-571-3410**
- **Suffolk County Office of Emergency Management** **631-852-4900**
- **Suffolk County Department of Health Services** **631-853-3000**
- **State Office of Emergency Management** **518-457-2200**
- **State Dept of Health, Division of Environmental Health** **800-458-1158**
- **NYC Office Of Emergency Management** **718-422-4800**
- **Westchester Office of Emergency Management** **914-231-1850**
- **Orange County Office of Emergency Management** **800-942-7136**
- **Rockland County of Emergency Management** **845-364-8990**
- **Pet Safe Coalition** **516-676-0808**
- **LIPA** **800-490-0025**
- **Key Span** **800-490-0045**
- **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)** **800-621-FEMA**

Shelters

***Check your county website for a more complete & up-to-date list of shelters**

- **Bronx**

- Bronx Community College.....80 West 181st St
- Evander Childs HS.....800 East Gun Hill Rd
- HS 141.....660 West 237th St
- IS 98.....1619 Boston Rd
- IS145.....1000 Teller Ave
- IS 201.....730 Bryant Ave
- Lehman College.....250 Bedford Park Blvd West
- PS 102.....1827 Archer St
- PS 211.....1919 Prospect Ave
- PS 306.....40 West Tremont Ave
- Samuel Gompers HS.....455 Southern Blvd
- Taft HS.....240 East 172nd St
- Truman HS.....750 Baychester Ave

- **Manhattan**

- Baruch College.....155 East 24th St
- Brandeis HS.....145 West 84th St
- City College.....181 Convent Ave
- George Washington HS.....549 Audobon Ave
- HS of Graphic Comm.....439 West 49th St
- Hunter College.....695 Park Ave
- IS 88.....215 West 114th St
- IS 90.....21 Jumel Pl
- IS 118.....154 West 93rd St
- John Jay College.....45 West 59th St
- PS 171.....19 East 103rd St
- Seward Park HS.....350 Grant St
- Thurgood Marshall.....210 West 135th St

- **Staten Island**

- Curtis HS.....105 Hamilton Ave
- IS 51.....20 Houston St
- Petrides Complex.....715 Ocean Terrace
- Susan E. Wegner HS.....1200 Manor Rd
- Tottenville HS.....1002 Luten Ave

- **Brooklyn**

- Boys & Girls HS.....1700 Fulton St
- Brooklyn Tech HS.....29 Fort Greene Pl
- Bushwick HS.....400 Irving Ave
- Clara Barton HS.....901 Classon Ave
- Franklin Lane HS.....999 Jamaica Ave
- IS 117.....300 Wiloughby Ave
- IS 136.....4004 4th Ave
- IS 187.....1171 65th St
- IS 189.....1100 East New York Ave
- IS 246.....72 Veronica Pl
- IS 249.....18 Marlborough Rd
- IS 271.....1137 Herkimer St
- IS 292.....300 Wyona St
- IS 383.....1300 Greene Ave
- JHS 57.....125 Stuyvesant Ave
- John Jay HS.....237 7th Ave
- NYC Technical College.....300 Jay St
- Roosevelt HS.....5800 20th Ave

- **Queens**

- Aqueduct Racetrack.....Rockaway Blvd & 108th St
- Aviation HS.....45-30 36th St
- Bayside HS.....32-24 Corp. Kennedy Blvd
- Belmont Racetrack.....Hempstead Tpke & Cross Island Pkwy
- Christ the King HS.....68-02 Metropolitan Ave
- Flushing HS.....35-01 Union St
- Forest Hills HS.....67-01 110th St
- Hillcrest HS.....60-05 Highland Ave
- JHS 185.....147-26 25th Dr
- Newcomers HS.....28-01 41st Ave
- Newtown HS.....48-01 90th St
- PS 19.....98-02 Roosevelt Ave
- Queens College.....65-30 Kissena Blvd
- Queensboro Community College.....222-05 56th Ave
- William C. Bryant HS.....48-10 31st Ave
- York College.....94-20 Guy R. Brewer Blvd

- **Nassau**

The Red Cross will only open the hurricane shelters based on the availability of volunteers and when essential supplies are in place. For this reason, you may be instructed to bypass the shelter in your community and go to an opened shelter in another community. It is important that you listen to the messages given through the media and follow the instructions so that you do not go to a shelter that's not opened.

The following are the Nassau County American Red Cross Hurricane Shelters:

- CW Post College
- Farmingdale High School
- Farmingdale Weldon Howitt
- Floral Park Sewanhaka High School
- Garden City High School
- Glen Cove High School
- Glen Head North Shore Senior High School
- Great Neck John Miller High School
- Great Neck South High School
- Hicksville High School
- Levittown Division Ave. High School
- Levittown Memorial High School
- Locust Valley High School
- Manhasset High School
- Massapequa McKenna Elementary School
- Mineola High School
- Nassau Community College
- New Hyde Park High School
- Plainview JFK High School
- Plainview Old Bethpage Middle School
- Port Washington Paul Schreiber High School
- SUNY Old Westbury
- SUNY Farmindale
- Wantagh High School
- Westbury High School

For more shelter information, call the Nassau County Office of Emergency Management at 516-573-0636.

Nassau County Evacuation Routes from the South Shore

ROUTE 1 (to Nassau Community College)

Starting at the Atlantic Beach Bridge:

- Northbound Doughty Blvd., which becomes the Nassau Expressway (Rt. 878) to northbound Peninsula Blvd
- Remain on Peninsula Blvd. until it becomes Fulton Avenue in the incorporated Village of Hempstead
- Continue eastbound on Fulton Ave., which will become Hempstead Turnpike at the Hempstead/Uniondale border
- Continue eastbound to Earl Ovington Blvd. and make a left
- Proceed northbound on Earl Ovington Blvd. into the Nassau Community College American Red Cross Evacuation Center

ROUTE 2 (to Nassau Community College)

Starting at the Long Beach Bridge:

- Northbound via Austin Blvd., which will become Long Beach Rd. in northern Island Park
- Continue northbound on Long Beach Rd. to Sunrise Highway, Rockville Centre
- Make a right onto Sunrise Highway and proceed eastbound to Grand Ave Baldwin
- Left turn going northbound on Grand Ave across Southern State Parkway, which then turns into Baldwin Road, then turns into Henry Street in the Incorporated Village of Hempstead.
- Right turn on Peninsula Blvd
- Remain on Peninsula Blvd. until it becomes Fulton Avenue in the Incorporated Village of Hempstead
- Continue eastbound on Fulton Ave., which will become Hempstead Turnpike at the Hempstead/Uniondale border
- Continue eastbound to Earl Ovington Blvd. and make a left
- Proceed northbound on Earl Ovington Blvd. into the Nassau Community College American Red Cross Evacuation Center

ROUTE 3 (to Nassau Community College)

Starting at Lido Blvd:

- Eastbound Lido Blvd. to the Loop Parkway and make a left
- Proceed northbound to the Meadowbrook Parkway
- Continue northbound on Meadowbrook Parkway exiting at Exit-M2 Charles Lindberg Blvd.
- Which will lead into the Nassau Community College American Red Cross Evacuation Center

ROUTE 4 (to SUNY Farmingdale)

Starting at Merrick Road

- Northbound on the Seaford Oyster Bay Expressway (Route 135)
- Exit at Hempstead Turnpike (Route 24) Westbound
- Hempstead Turnpike becomes Conklin Street
- Make left turn on Clinton Street
- Clinton becomes Melville Road
- Take Melville Road into the SUNY Farmingdale American Red Cross Evacuation Center

- **Suffolk**

- Amagansett School.....320 Main St.....Amagansett
- Amityville HS.....250 Merrick Rd.....Amityville
- Edmund W. Miles HS.....501 Route 110.....Amityville
- Babylon JSHS.....50 Railroad Ave.....Babylon
- Bay Shore SHS.....155 Third Ave.....Bay Shore
- Bay Shore MS.....393 Brook Ave.....Bay Shore
- Bayport-Blue Point HS.....200 Snedecor Ave.....Bayport
- James Wilson Young MS....602 Sylvan Ave.....Bayport
- Brentwood HS.....2 Sixth Ave.....Brentwood
- East MS.....70 Hilltop Dr.....Brentwood
- North MS.....350 Wicks Rd.....Brentwood
- South MS.....785 Candlewood Rd.....Brentwood
- West MS.....2030 Udall Rd.....Bay Shore
- Freshman Center.....33 Leahy Ave.....Brentwood
- Bridgehampton School.....2685 Montauk Hwy...Bridgehampton
- Center Moriches HS.....311 Frowein Rd....Center Moriches
- Cold Spring Harbor HS.....82 Turkey La...Cold Spring Harbor
- Commack HS.....Scholar La.....Commack
- Commack MS.....Vanderbuilt Pkwy.....Commack
- Comsewogue SHS.....565 Bicycle Path...Port Jefferson St
- John F. Kennedy MS.....200 Jayne Blvd....Port Jefferson St
- Connetquot HS.....190 Seventh Ave.....Bohemia
- Oakdale-Bohemia HS.....60 Oakdale-Bohemia Rd...Oakdale
- Ronkonkoma JHS.....501 Peconic St.....Ronkonkoma
- Copiague HS.....1100 Dixon Ave.....Copiague
- Copiague MS.....2650 Great Neck Rd.....Copiague
- Deer Park HS.....30 Rockaway Ave.....Deer Park
- Robert Frost MS.....450 Half Hollow Rd.....Deer Park
- East Hampton MS.....2 Long La.....East Hampton
- East Hampton HS.....76 Newton La.....East Hampton
- East Islip HS.....1 Redmen St.....Islip Terrace
- Islip Terrace JHS.....1 Redmen St.....Islip Terrace
- East Moriches School.....9 Adelaine Ave.....East Moriches
- Eastport-South Manor.....390B Montauk Hwy.....Eastport
- Elwood/ John Glenn HS.....478 Elwood Rd.....Elwood
- Elwood MS.....478 Elwood Rd.....Elwood
- Greenport HS.....720 Front St.....Greenport
- Candlewood MS.....1200 Carl's Strait Path....Dix Hills
- Half Hollow Hills HS East.....50 Vanderbuilt Pkwy
- Half Hollow Hills HS West.....375 Wolf Hill Rd
- West Hollow MS.....250 Old East Neck Rd
- Hampton Bays MS.....88 Argonne Rd.....Hampton Bays
- Hauppauge HS.....500 Lincoln Blvd.....Hauppauge
- Hauppauge MS.....600 Town Line Rd.....Hauppauge

- **Suffolk (continued...)**

- Huntington HS.....McKay Rd.....Huntington
- Finley JHS.....Greenlawn Rd
- Islip HS.....2508 Union Blvd.....Islip
- Islip MS.....211 Main St.....Islip
- Kings Park HS.....200 Route25A.....Kings Park
- William T. Rogers MS.....97 Old Dock Rd
- Lindenhurst MS.....350 S.Wellwood Ave...Lindenhurst
- Lindenhurst SHS.....300 Charles St.....Lindenhurst
- Longwood JHS.....198 Longwood Rd
- Longwood MS.....1 Yaphank-Mid Island Rd
- Longwood HS.....100 Longwood Rd
- Mattituck JSHS.....15125 Main Rd.....Mattituck
- Centereach HS.....14 43rd St.....Centereach
- Newfield HS.....145 Marshall Rd
- Dawnwood MS.....10 43rd St
- Seldon MS.....22 Jefferson Ave.....Seldon
- Miller Place HS.....15 Memorial Dr.....Miller Place
- North Country Rd School.....191 North Country Rd
- Montauk School.....50 South Dorset Rd.....Montauk
- Mt. Sinai HS.....Gertrude Goodman Dr
- Mt. Sinai MS.....North Country Rd
- North Babylon HS.....1 Phelps Ln.....North Babylon
- Robert Moses MS.....234 Phelps Ln.....North Babylon
- East Northport MS.....1075 Fifth Ave.....East Northport
- Northport SHS.....154 Laurel Hill Rd.....Northport
- Northport MS.....11 Middleville Rd.....Northport
- Saxton MS.....121-123 Saxon St
- South Ocean MS.....225 South Ocean Ave
- Oregon MS.....109 Oregon Ave
- Patchogue-Medford HS.....181 Buffalo Ave
- Port Jefferson HS.....320 Old Post Rd....Port Jefferson
- Port Jefferson MS.....320 Old Post Rd....Port Jefferson
- Riverhead SHS.....700 Harrison Ave.....Riverhead
- Riverhead MS.....600 Harrison Ave.....Riverhead
- Rocky Point JSHS.....82 Rocky Pt-Yaphank Rd...Rocky Point
- Rocky Point MS.....76 Rocky Point Rd.....Rocky Point
- Sachem North HS.....212 Smith Rd....Lake Ronkonkoma
- Sachem HS East.....177 Granny Rd.....Farmingville
- Samoset MS.....51 School St.....Lake Ronkonkoma
- Sagamore JHS.....57 Division Ave.....Holtsville
- Sequoia MS.....850 Main St.....Holbrook
- Pierson HS.....200 Jermain Ave.....Sag Harbor
- Sayville HS.....20 Brook St.....West Sayville
- Sayville MS.....291 Johnson Ave.....Sayville

- **Suffolk (continued...)**

- Shoreham-Wading River HS...250A Route 25A.....Shoreham
- Shoreham-Wading River MS...100 Randall Rd.....Shoreham
- Smithtown Freshman Camp....660 Meadow Rd.....Smithtown
- Smithtown West HS.....100 Central Rd.....Smithtown
- Smithtown East HS.....10 School St.....St. James
- Nesaquake MS.....Edgewood Ave.....St. James
- Great Hollow MS.....150 Southern Blvd.....Nesconset
- Bellport MS.....Kreamer St.....Bellport
- Frank P. Long IS.....Brookhaven Ave.....Bellport
- Bellport SHS.....Beaver dam Rd.....Brookhaven
- Walt Whitman HS.....301 West Hills Rd...Huntington St
- Henry L. Stimson MS.....401 Oakwood Rd...Huntington St
- Southampton SHS.....141 Narrow La.....Southampton
- Southampton IS.....70 Leland Ave.....Southampton
- Southold JSHS.....420 Oaklawn Ave.....Southold
- Springs School.....48 School St.....East Hampton
- Paul J. Gelinas JHS.....25 Mud Rd.....Setauket
- Ward Melville SHS.....380 Old Town Rd.....Setauket
- Robert Cushman Murphy JHS....351 Oxhead Rd.....Stony Brook
- West Babylon SHS.....500 Great East Neck Rd... W. Babylon
- West Babylon JHS.....200 Old Farmingdale Rd...W. Babylon
- Beach St MS.....Beach St.....West Islip
- Udall Rd MS.....900 Udall Rd.....West Islip
- West Islip SHS.....1 Lion's Path.....West Islip
- Westhampton Beach SHS.....49 Lilac Rd....Westhampton Beach
- Westhampton MS.....340 Mill Rd....Westhampton Beach
- William Floyd HS.....240 Mastic Beach Rd...Mastic Beach
- William Floyd MS.....630 Moriches-Middle Island Rd...Moriches
- William Paca JHS.....338 Blanco Dr.....Mastic Beach
- Milton L. Olive MS.....140 Garden City Ave.....Wyandanch

For Shelters in Counties not listed:

Orange: Red Cross designates sites based on type of emergency.

Rockland: Designated 1640A.M. and local media to distribute information about shelter locations.

Westchester: The County, in coordination with local authorities, will open American Red Cross managed shelters. Shelter locations are chosen based on the type of emergency.

Also, they have created a Community Emergency Notification System (CENS) that residents can sign up for to receive emergency notification by phone, e mail & text messages.

***Go to www.Westchestergov.com for more information and to sign up for the CENS program.

The Do's & Don'ts of Shelter Stays

If you are going to evacuate to a local shelter to ride out a storm, there are several things that you should keep in mind.

- First, public shelters should be considered a last resort, only stay there if you cannot stay with friends or relatives away from the oncoming storm.
- Shelter locations may change depending on the type of emergency, so be sure to check newspapers, TV, radio, and the internet for the most up-to-date locations.
- Because space is limited, if you plan to evacuate to a shelter, it is best to go as soon as the announcement is made that the shelter is open.
- Shelters lack many creature comforts, so bring small, portable items that will keep you occupied, like cards or games.
- Shelters will have food, but if you want snacks or have special dieting needs, it is best to bring your own.
- There may not be beds/cots, or enough of them. Bring a cot or sleeping bag and blanket and pillows.
- Be ready to set up a home away from home on the floor, in close proximity to the hundreds of other people who are also staying at the shelter.

Other items that you may want to bring with you to the shelter include:

- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Radio or TV powered by batteries
- Toiletries including towelettes & wipes; feminine products; first-aid kit
- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Cell phone & charger
- Medication, nebulizer
- Jacket or sweater
- Identification
- Three days of comfortable clothing
- Pillows, blankets, cots or sleeping bags
- Playing cards, games, and books
- Cash
- Child care items (diapers, formula, vitamins, bottles, etc.)
- Glasses, Hearing aids, batteries, denture supplies, contact lenses & supplies

DO NOT BRING

- Guns
- Alcohol or Illegal drugs
- Pets (except assistance dogs)(unless you know this is a pet friendly shelter)
- Large electronic equipment
- Explosive devices or fireworks
- Valuables such as jewelry or laptops

Resources

Federal Emergency Management Agency: www.Fema.gov

National Hurricane Center: www.nhc.NOAA.gov

Suffolk County: www.co.Suffolk.NY.us

Nassau County: www.co.Nassau.NY.us

Orange County: www.co.Orange.NY.us

Rockland County: www.co.Rockland.NY.us

Westchester: www.Westchestergov.com

New York City: www.NYC.gov

American Red Cross: www.nyredcross.org

NY State Emergency Management Office: www.semo.state.ny.us

Department of Homeland Security: www.ready.gov

National Weather Service: www.weather.gov