Hurricane Watch: Hurricane conditions (winds exceeding 74 mph, storm surge, heavy rain, tornadoes and flooding) are possible within 36 hours.

Hurricane Warning: Hurricane conditions are expected within 24 hours.

Be prepared
- Listen to a NOAA Weather Radio for critical information from the National Weather Service (NWS).
- Check your disaster supplies (emergency kit) and replace or restock as needed.
- Prepare to evacuate well before the full strength of a hurricane arrives or when recommended by local authorities.

During a hurricane
- Whenever possible, evacuate to a safe place, far from a hurricane’s predicted path, well before its full force arrives.
- If hurricane conditions already exist outside your location, stay put and shelter-in-place.
- The most violent conditions are likely to pass in 24 hours or less.

General guidelines
- Continue listening to the news for the latest updates.
- Stay alert for extended rainfall and subsequent flooding.
- Return home only when authorities indicate it is safe.