

Hurricane Readiness Guide

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5 Categories to Watch For



74-95 mph **
64-82 kt
119-153 km/h



96-110 mph **
83-95 kt
154-177 km/h



111-129 mph **
96-112 kt
178-208 km/h

major



130-156 mph **
113-136 kt
209-251 km/h

major



157 mph or higher **
137 kt or higher
252 km/h or higher

major

*According to Bermuda Weather Service

**According to US National Hurricane Center

Pack Your Survival Kit



BATTERY OPERATED LIGHTS



FIRST AID KIT



BUCKETS



BATTERIES



COOLER



WATER



RADIO



CAN OPENER



FIRE EXTINGUISHER



TRASH BAGS



FLASHLIGHTS & BULBS



GLOVES

Did you know?

Hurricane season June - November*

On average once every 6-7 yrs devastating storms impact Bermuda*

On average one storm passes within 180 nautical miles of Bermuda per season*

Bermuda was first colonised as a result of a hurricane in July 1609 that wrecked and washed ashore a boat, known as Sea Venture.

FM 100.1 mHz

Emergency broadcast radio station

298.0888

Argus contact

Your Checklist for Hurricane Season

June 1st to November 30th

Before the Storm

- Check on your elderly and inform neighbours
- Secure or bring inside all outdoor objects that could be blown around by high winds: BBQ, garbage cans, lawn furniture
- Stock up on drinking water, canned goods, manual can opener and non-perishable foods
- Make sure you have an adequate supply of your prescription drugs and a first aid kit
- Fill your bathtubs and buckets with water
- Make sure your portable radio is working. Stock up on extra batteries
- Check that your flashlights are in working order and that you have enough bulbs and batteries
- When using candles, guard against fire by keeping a bucket of sand close by to absorb small fires
- Plug downpipes on the roof to prevent saltwater contamination if you can easily do so without causing personal injury
- Close your shutters/blinds or board up your windows
- Charge your cell phone
- Fill your car and/or bike with gas
- Park cars away from the house and large trees
- Unplug electrical appliances
- Secure your boat, check the up-chain and bridle of your boat mooring
- Fill your cooler with ice
- Have some sturdy working gloves and large trash bags on hand
- Bring in all pets with plenty of time to spare
- Have a household fire extinguisher at hand
- Ensure all insurance premiums for home and contents are paid

During the Storm

- Stay inside
- Do not take unnecessary risks and stay away from windows and sliding glass doors
- Listen to the radio for updates (playing a board game can help pass the time)
- Open one window a couple of inches on the leeward side of the building away from the approaching storm
- If the 'eye' passes directly over the island remember to switch windows, as the winds will return from the opposite direction

After the Storm

- Listen to the radio to find out how best to proceed
- Do not leave home until the government announces it is safe
- Check on your elderly and infirm neighbours
- Clear your driveway and street
- If you have sustained damage contact Argus as soon as possible
- To help with the assessment of your damage, take photographs and create an inventory of the damage
- Obtain estimates, but do not be rushed into signing repair contracts. Deal with reputable contractors. If you're unsure about a contractor's credentials, contact Argus
- Never pay the entire amount before repairs are completed. Reputable contractors will not demand huge down payments. Get receipts for all repairs

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