What To Do When A Hurricane Threatens

Have an evacuation plan
The map shows the Risk Areas (in color) and main evacuation routes out of your area. Know how to get to the evacuation route nearest your home and have an alternate route should that one be congested.

Pack a disaster supplies kit you can load in your car. (For a list of suggested items to include, contact your Emergency Management Coordinator or local Red Cross chapter.)

If you plan to stay in a hotel or motel, call ahead to make reservations before you leave. If you plan to stay with family or friends, let them know you are coming. If you are leaving pets, make sure they will be welcome at your destination and remember to bring identification records, carriers, leashes, and pet supplies.

Consider leaving early:
You live in low-lying or flood-prone areas, on a barrier island, or in a mobile home near the coast.
You are traveling with people who may have difficulty with a lengthy trip (young children, older family members, or people with special needs).
You are driving a recreational vehicle or towing a boat, trailer, travel trailer, or any other piece of equipment.
You want to be able to choose your route or final destination.
(When the general evacuation starts, law enforcement personnel will be directing traffic and telling you which roads to take.)

Evacuation tips:
Listen to the Emergency Alert System for your area (KFRQ 94.5) or NOAA Weather Radio (KBBR 162.400, WVQG 162.550). When local officials tell people in your area to leave, do so immediately.
Carry food and drinks in your car. Shopping for these items will delay your evacuation and restaurants and stores along the evacuation routes may be closed or very crowded.

Be alert for law enforcement personnel directing traffic.

Legend:
- Evacuation Routes
- County Boundary
- Risk Area 1
- Risk Area 2
- Risk Area 3
- Risk Area 4
- Risk Area 5
- Risk Area 6

Legends:
- Hurricane Windscale Category (MPH)
  - 1: 74-95
  - 2: 96-110
  - 3: 111-130
  - 4: 131-155
  - 5: >155

Risk Area numbers correspond to hurricane categories. For example, in the event of a Category 3 hurricane, Risk Areas 1, 2, 3 would be threatened.

Turn to the radio stations listed below for traffic and shelter information:

- Falfurrias
  - K250 107.3 FM
- Laredo
  - KLNT 1460 AM
  - KENX 106.1 FM
- McAllen
  - KWW 66.1 FM
  - KJAV 66.9 FM
- Rio Grande City
  - KCTM 103.1 FM
- San Antonio
  - WON 1200 AM

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