SURVIVAL IN A HURRICANE

Enter the June-November season prepared. Inventory boards, tools, batteries, nonperishable foods, and other emergency equipment.

When your area receives a hurricane warning:

- Leave low-lying areas.
- Moor your boat securely or evacuate it.
- Protect your windows with boards, shutters, or tape.
- Secure outdoor objects or bring them indoors.
- Fuel your car.
- Save several days' water supply.
- Stay at home if it is sturdy and on high ground.
- Leave mobile homes for more substantial shelter.
- Stay indoors during the hurricane.
- Listen for Weather Service hurricane bulletins.

You will not be asked to leave your home unless your life is seriously threatened. When you receive word to leave, GO!

HURRICANE WATCH:
hurricane may threaten within 24 hours.

HURRICANE WARNING:
hurricane expected to strike within 24 hours.

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A hurricane causes sea level to rise above normal tidal heights, with giant wind-driven waves and strong, unpredictable currents. These are the storm's worst killer.

- Know the elevation of your property above mean sea level.
- Have a safe evacuation route planned.
- Learn the storm surge history for your area.

Tornadoes spawned by hurricanes are extremely dangerous. When a hurricane approaches, listen for tornado watches and warnings, and be ready to take immediate shelter.

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