

# **HURRICANE SEASON: BE PREPARED!**





# OVERVIEW

- Hurricane Season
- HURCON's
- Family Disaster Kit
- Sheltering On Base
- Evacuations
- Returning Home





# HURRICANE SEASON

- Hurricanes are severe tropical storms that form in the southern Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico and in the eastern Pacific Ocean.
- Hurricanes have winds of at least 74 mph.
- Hurricane season is 1 June – 30 Nov, peaking between August and September.
- The four hazards produced by a hurricane are storm surge, high winds, heavy rainfall, and tornadoes
- Plan accordingly – Have a family disaster plan in place.
- Evacuations – If an evacuation is ordered don't be caught unprepared.



# HURRICANE CATEGORIES

Category	Wind Speed
Tropical Storm	< 74 mph
Category 1 Hurricane	74 mph – 95 mph
Category 2 Hurricane	96 mph – 110 mph
Category 3 Hurricane	111 mph – 130 mph
Category 4 Hurricane	131 mph – 155 mph
Category 5 Hurricane	> 155 mph





# HURRICANE CONDITIONS


- Know Eglin AFB hurricane conditions (HURCONS). HURCONS are a countdown in which we execute emergency preparedness items to ensure Eglin is prepared for the landfall of a hurricane.

HURCON	Wind Speed	How Far Out?
HURCON 5	HURCON 5 is a heightened sense of readiness and occurs 1 June – 30 November (hurricane season)	
HURCON 4	50 kts/58 mph or greater	Within 96 hrs
HURCON 3	50 kts/58 mph or greater	Within 72 hrs
HURCON 2	50 kts/58 mph or greater	Within 48 hrs
HURCON 1	50 kts/58 mph or greater	Within 24 hrs
HURCON 1E	50 kts/58 mph or greater	Present at EAFB
HURCON 1R	0 kts/0 mph	N/A



# HURRICANE CONDITIONS

**HURCON 4**  
(Hurricane Condition 4/Alert Phase)  
has been declared by the Installation Commander




Surface winds in excess of 58 mph (50 knots) could arrive within 96 hours.

**WINDS ≥ 50KTS WITHIN 96 HRS**

- NO MAJOR IMPACT
- NORMAL DUTY
- REVIEW HURRICANE ACTIONS

**HURCON 3**  
(Hurricane Condition 3/Preparation Phase)  
has been declared by the Installation Commander



Surface winds in excess of 58 mph (50 knots) could arrive within 72 hours.

**WINDS ≥ 50KTS WITHIN 72 HRS**

- NOTABLE IMPACT
- NORMAL DUTIES STOP
- ALL PERSONNEL WORK TOWARD SECURING FACILITIES, RESOURCES

**HURCON 2**  
(Hurricane Condition 2/Final Preparation Phase)  
has been declared by the Installation Commander



Surface winds in excess of 58 mph (50 knots) could arrive within 48 hours.

**WINDS ≥ 50KTS WITHIN 48 HRS**

- SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
- FINAL SECURING FACILITIES, RESOURCES

**HURCON 1**  
(Hurricane Condition 1/Secure Phase)  
has been declared by the Installation Commander



Surface winds in excess of 58 mph (50 knots) could arrive within 24 hours.

**WINDS ≥ 50KTS WITHIN 24 HRS**

- MAJOR IMPACT
- ONLY EMERGENCY OPS
- PERSONNEL, RESOURCES, FACILITIES EVACUATED OR SECURED

HurCon 4 → Alert Phase

HurCon 3 → Prep Phase


HurCon 2 → Final Phase

HurCon 1 → Secure

HurCon 1E → RideOut

HurCon 1R → Recover

**HURCON 1E**  
(Hurricane Condition 1E/Secure Phase)  
has been declared by the Installation Commander



Surface winds in excess of 58 mph are occurring and other dangerous conditions associated with the storm are present. All outside activity is strictly prohibited.

**WINDS ≥ 50KTS PRESENT**

- IMMEDIATE IMPACT
- NO OUTSIDE ACTIVITY
- ALL PERSONNEL MUST STAY INSIDE

**HURCON 1R**  
(Hurricane Condition 1R/Recovery Phase)  
has been declared by the Installation Commander



Life-threatening storm hazards have passed but damage may persist and only emergency responders and damage assessment personnel are released to move about.

**INITIAL RECOVERY**

- IMMEDIATE IMPACT
- EMERGENCY OPS RELEASED
- ALL PERSONNEL REMAIN STAY INSIDE UNTIL NOTIFIED



## FAMILY DISASTER KIT

- Water - One gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food - At least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that do not require refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water.
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- First Aid Kit
- Local maps



# PREPARING YOUR PETS

- Pet food and treats
- Water bowls, cat litter and litter box
- Drinkable water in plastic bottles
- Manual can opener
- Pet medications and medical records in a waterproof container
- Sturdy leashes, harnesses and/or carriers
- Current photos of your pet
- The name of your veterinarian
- Pet beds and toys
- **Pet sheltering is NOT available on base**
- For a list of pet friendly shelters in Florida, go to:  
<http://www.floridapets.net/petfriendlyshelters.html>







# SPECIAL ITEMS

Remember family members with special needs, such as infants and elderly or disabled persons.

## For Baby

- Formula
- Diapers
- Bottles
- Medications

## For Adults

- Heart and high blood pressure medication
- Insulin
- Prescription drugs
- Denture needs
- Contact lenses and supplies
- Extra eye glasses





## SHELTERING ON BASE

- Shelters are facilities capable of withstanding hurricane strength winds and are located out of a flood area.
- Dorm Residents will shelter in the dormitories but they do have the option of utilizing base shelters.
- Military personnel, dependents of military personnel, and DoD civilian refugees who decide to seek shelter at Eglin AFB will be directed to report to the Shelter Reception Centers for shelter assignments.
- **If a mandatory evacuation is declared then all residents, unless on a ride-out team, must leave Eglin AFB.**



# SHELTERING ON BASE

## Shelter Reception Centers

- In order to shelter on EAFB, you will have to register at the designated reception center. This is to ensure accountability for personnel sheltered on base.
- Eglin AFB has two Shelter Reception Centers.
  - West Gate: Youth Services Center – Bldg. 2582
  - East Gate: Base Gym - Bldg. 810





# VOLUNTARY EVACUATIONS

## Voluntary (Cat 1)

- 96 TW/CC approves release of duty for non-mission critical military personnel
- Liberal leave policy will be in effect for non-mission critical personnel
- No entitlements authorized, travel and lodging at members expense





# RECOMMENDED EVACUATION

## Recommended (Cat 2)

- 96 TW/CC approves release of duty for non-mission critical military personnel and their dependents
- Administrative leave, as prescribed by the commander, will be in effect for non-mission critical personnel
- No entitlements authorized, travel and lodging at members expense

## CC Discretion (Cat 3)



# MANDATORY EVACUATION

## Mandatory (Cat 4/5)

- Required evacuation of all military personnel and their dependents from Eglin AFB, except designated “ride out” crews
- Non mission critical personnel will be on administrative leave
- Reimbursement for certain expenses incurred during evacuation





## REFUGE BASES

- Eglin AFB has support agreements with the following military installations:
  - Ft Benning, GA
  - Robins AFB, GA
- Evacuation bases are designed for assigned personnel and family members.
- Accomplish Air Force Personnel Accountability and Assessment System at:  
<https://afpaas.af.mil/cas/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fafpaas.af.mil%2F%3Bjsessionid%3D7BA25FAD05F21DB04171846A46797768>



## RETURNING HOME

- Beware of outside animals/reptiles seeking shelter in or around your home.
- Report property damage to your insurance agent immediately.
- Make emergency repairs and document them. Keep all receipts and take photographs of the damages, before and after the emergency repairs, to submit with your insurance claim.
- Take precautions if the damages require you to leave your home. Secure your property, by locking windows and doors and removing all valuable items.



# SOCIAL NETWORKING



## New Egin social networking site capabilities VIA *Facebook and Twitter*

- Source for emergency preparedness tips
- Ability to broaden information dissemination to dependents, civilians, retirees, etc...
- Example:
  - 1min phone call = bandwidth of 400 text msg's

— [Facebook.com/TeamEgin](https://www.facebook.com/TeamEgin)

— [Twitter.com/TeamEgin](https://twitter.com/TeamEgin)





# HELPFUL LINKS

- <http://www.eglin.af.mil/hurricaneseason.asp>
- [http://www.co.okaloosa.fl.us/dept\\_ps\\_em\\_mgmt.html](http://www.co.okaloosa.fl.us/dept_ps_em_mgmt.html)
- <http://www.floridadisaster.org/DEMpublic.asp>
- <http://www.floridadisaster.org/family/>
- <http://www.beready.af.mil/>



# QUESTIONS ?

Please refer any questions to the  
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(96 CES/CEX)

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