



Severe Weather and Hurricane Season is Here!

It's not just a Florida thing!

Take action now to Prepare: Get Ready, Make a Plan



For every storm (Hurricane, Flood, Severe Wind Storm), you need to prepare to stay safe at home with needed supplies and medications for at least 3 days. You will also need to decide if you will shelter in your home or evacuate. If you require special medical care within your home, contact your care giver and medical provider to create an emergency back-up plan BEFORE you need it!

Make sure we can reach you during an emergency. Register your phone (cell and home) to receive automatic storm related updates: www.ct.gov/ctalert.

Download the mobile app "CTPrepares" on your smart phone, its free at the goggle app store

Stay in Your Home if:

- Your home is not in an evacuation area or flood zone
- Your roof and structure are in good repair; you feel safe
- Have supplies on hand for 3 days (food, water, medications, flash light/batteries, blankets for warmth, pet food for pets)

Relocate or Evacuate if:

- You are in a mandatory evacuation zone
- You are in a manufactured or mobile home AND hurricane winds are expected
- Take personal items with you, have a "kit" ready (identification, medications, hygiene items, tell a friend or family where you are going, take pets and pet food if possible)

Where to Evacuate:

- Best Choice: The home of friends or family or hotel outside of the storm's path
- **Community Shelters provide basic support and should be a LAST RESORT.** Not all shelters will be open. Not all shelters accept pets. Most shelters are not equipped for advanced medical support. Monitor local government news and the Town website to learn when shelters are open.

When to Evacuate:

- If you must evacuate, leave as early as possible. Don't wait if told to leave.
- Know your evacuation route, practice in advance with family and include pets.
- Tell a friend or family member outside of the storms area, **it's best to text as phone lines maybe busy**
- Do not return until the storm has passed and the area is given the "all clear" as debris and trees may block roads or electrical wires may create a safety concern.

For more information: 203-294-2065

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http://www.town.wallingford.ct.us/Content/Emergency_Preparedness_Information.asp

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