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Here are tips from Geico, the National Hurricane Center and the Insurance Information Institut

Hurricane Preparedness

&#8226; Determine escape routes and places where your family can meet.

&#8226; Know your home's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding and wind.

&#8226; Locate a safe room in your home or the safest area in your community.

&#8226; Have an out-of-state friend as a family contact.

&#8226; Plan what to do with your pets if you need to evacuate.

&#8226; Post emergency telephone numbers by your phones. Teach your children how to call 911.

&#8226; Check your insurance coverage; flood damage is not usually covered by homeowners insur

&#8226; Trim trees to remove un-healthy or dead limbs or branches.

Emergency Supplies

&#8226; water-one gallon daily per person for three to seven days

&#8226; food-enough for three to seven days

&#8226; nonperishable packaged or canned food/juices-foods for infants or the elderly

&#8226; nonelectric can opener

&#8226; cooking tools/fuel

&#8226; paper plates/plastic utensils

&#8226; blankets/pillows, etc.

&#8226; clothing-seasonal/rain gear/ sturdy shoes

&#8226; first-aid kit/medicines/prescription drugs

&#8226; special items for babies and the elderly

&#8226; toiletries/hygiene items/moisture wipes

&#8226; flashlight/batteries

&#8226; radio-battery-operated radio and National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

&#8226; cash-banks and ATMs may not be open for extended periods.

&#8226; keys

&#8226; photographs

&#8226; computer hard drive or laptop

&#8226; toys, books and games

&#8226; important documents-in a waterproof container including insurance, medical records, ba

&#8226; tools-keep a set with you during the storm

&#8226; vehicle fuel tanks filled

&#8226; pet care items

&#8226; proper identification/immunization records/medications

&#8226; food and water

&#8226; a carrier or cage

&#8226; muzzle and leash

Added Preparedness

&#8226; Take first-aid, CPR and disaster preparedness classes.

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