Stay Informed!

NOAA Weather Radio

NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) is the prime alerting and critical information delivery system of the NWS. NWR broadcasts warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day. Known as the "voice of the NWS," the NWR network has more than 590 stations, covering the 50 states, adjacent coastal waters, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and U.S. Pacific territories.

Many weather radios are equipped with a special alarm tone feature that sounds an alert giving you immediate information about a life-threatening situation. Routine weather radio programming is interrupted during tropical cyclone threats to send out the special tone that activates weather radios in the listening area. The hearing and visually impaired can get these warnings by connecting weather radios to devices such as strobe lights, pagers, bed-shakers, personal computers and text printers.

The NWS encourages people to buy a weather radio equipped with the Specific Area Message Encoder (SAME) feature. This feature automatically alerts you when important tropical cyclone information is issued for your area.

More information on NOAA Weather Radio can be found by contacting your local NWS office or on the Internet at: www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr.

NOAA Weather Wire Service

The NWS NOAA Weather Wire Service (NWWS) provides reliable and timely warnings. NWWS has been improved and now makes limited graphic images available through a standard computer.



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Emergency Managers Weather Information Network

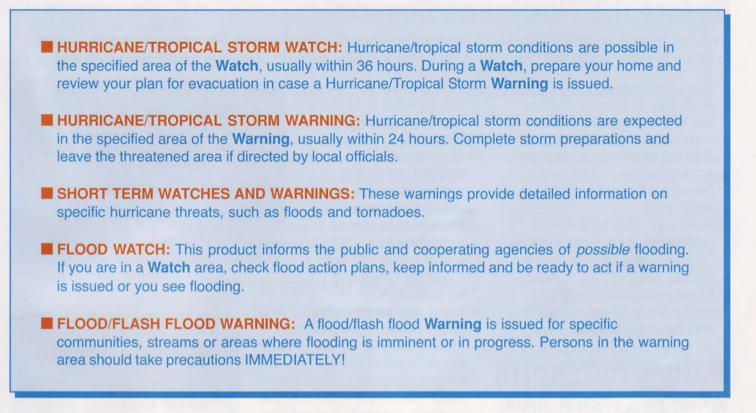
The Emergency Managers Weather Information Network (EMWIN) offers an economical way to receive all products available on NWWS, plus graphical forecasts and select satellite data. For details, go to **iwin.nws.noaa.gov/emwin/index.htm**.

Interactive Weather Information Network

The Interactive Weather Information Network (IWIN) is a Web site with live data similar to EMWIN. It is open to all users and contains warnings in addition to many routine NWS products. To view IWIN products, go to http://iwin.nws.noaa.gov.

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More hurricane information and	I news is just a click away.
 National Weather Service: National Hurricane Center: Central Pacific Hurricane Center: 	www.nws.noaa.gov www.nhc.noaa.gov www.nws.noaa.gov/pr/hnl/ cphc/pages/cphc.shtml
Links to local NWS Offices NWS Eastern Region: NWS Southern Region: NWS Pacific Region:	www.erh.noaa.gov www.srh.noaa.gov www.nws.noaa.gov/pr
Historical Information Nat'l Climatic Data Center: 	www.ncdc.noaa.gov
Other Emergency Information	n Sites
 American Red Cross: FEMA: U.S. Geological Survey: 	www.redcross.org www.fema.gov www.usgs.gov/hurricanes

What To Listen For



National Hurricane Center and Central Pacific Hurricane Center Products

PUBLIC ADVISORIES offer critical hurricane watch, warning and forecast information.

FORECASTS/ADVISORIES provide detailed hurricane track and wind field information.

PROBABILITIES OF HURRICANE/TROPICAL STORM CONDITIONS offer a measure of the forecast track accuracy. The probabilities have no relation to tropical cyclone intensity.

Local NWS Office Products

HURRICANE LOCAL STATEMENTS give greater detail on how the storm will impact your area.

NON-PRECIPITATION WEATHER PRODUCTS provide watches and warnings for inland areas which could experience tropical storm or hurricane force winds.

All of the above information must be used to make an informed decision on your risk and what actions should be taken. Remember to listen to your local official's recommendations and to NOAA Weather Radio for the latest hurricane information.