

HURRICANE WARNINGS

Hurricane Warnings are issued when hurricane conditions are expected within 24 hours or less before landfall.

IF AN EVACUATION ORDER IS ISSUED:

- ❖ Leave as soon as possible. Avoid flooded roads & Watch for washed-out bridges
- ❖ Secure your home by unplugging appliances, turning off electricity, & shutting off water at the main valve
- ❖ Tell someone outside of the storm area where you are going
- ❖ If you have time, elevate furniture to avoid possible flooding

- ❖ Take with you: emergency supplies, warm clothing, blankets, & sleeping bags
- ❖ Lock your home before leaving

AT HOME:

- ❖ Stay inside, away from windows, skylights, & glass doors
- ❖ Avoid open flames & Use flashlights (Have extra batteries on hand)
- ❖ If you are in a Mobile Home, check your tie downs and evacuate immediately
- ❖ If power is lost, turn off major appliances to avoid a power "surge" when restored

AROUND THE HOUSE

OUTSIDE:

- ❖ Install storm shutters or plywood & door braces. Cover all windows & doors so they can withstand hurricane-force winds
- ❖ Unplug your TV & take down any outdoor antennas or satellite dishes
- ❖ Drain in-ground pools approximately one foot, super-chlorinate to avoid contamination, & disconnect electrical pumps
- ❖ Bring in any outdoor objects that could be blown away
- ❖ Disconnect propane tanks and turn off the main gas line

INSIDE:

- ❖ Turn your refrigerator & freezer to the coldest settings
- ❖ Have 3 gallons of water per person on hand
- ❖ Clean your bathtub with bleach, rinse thoroughly, and let it dry. Seal the drain and fill the tub. Use for sanitary purposes, not drinking.
- ❖ Prepare a "safe room". Stock it with food, drinks, emergency supplies, sleeping materials
- ❖ Place valuables & documents in waterproof containers. Take them with you if you evacuate.
- ❖ Do not stay in a mobile home



Scott Police Department

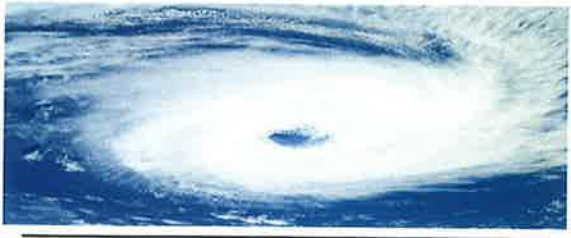
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Hurricane Safety Guide



BEFORE THE STORM

❖ Plan an evacuation route

Check with local law enforcement or American Red Cross for shelters

❖ Learn safe routes inland

Plan to drive at least 20-50 miles
Have essential needs on hand

❖ Make arrangements for pets

Pets are generally not allowed in
Emergency Shelters

❖ Educate yourself and your family

How to turn off gas, electricity, & water
How & When to dial 911

❖ Protect you windows

Pre-drilled ½ inch Plywood & 18 inch screws

❖ Check into Flood Insurance

Normally 30 days before effective

❖ Develop an Emergency

Communication Plan

In case family members are separated, establish another Family Member" as the point of contact and all family members know their name, address, and phone number

Did you know...

In 10 minutes, a hurricane releases more energy than all the world's nuclear weapons combines.



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American Red Cross Shelter Information

1-800-RED-CROSS (733-2767)

or

www.redcross.org

DURING THE STORM

❖ Stay indoors, away from the windows

Consider turning off circuit breakers

before the power goes off

❖ Once inside a "safe room", stay there

even if you hear glass breaking

❖ If your house begins to break apart, cover yourself with a mattress and/or pillows. If you are using the bathroom as a "safe room", get into the bathtub and cover yourself with the mattress

❖ Stay tuned to local radio & television stations.

❖ Do not leave the residence unless ordered to do so by officials or an "all clear" is given.

❖ If you notice the wind die down, you may be in the eye of the storm. Winds may resume at any time and may be stronger than before

❖ Use the phone for urgent calls only



AFTER THE STORM

❖ Locate a fire extinguisher before attempting to turn the power back on

❖ Stay away from downed power lines

❖ Do not dial 911 unless it is a life-threatening emergency

❖ Do not report individual power, water, gas, or phone problems. Utility companies will restore services as quickly as possible

❖ If a generator is needed after the storm to power your home, make sure that you place the generator outside your home or garage where it is well ventilated from fumes

❖ Do not drink tap water until you hear from officials that it is safe.

❖ Do not pile debris near power poles

❖ When possible, call your out-of-town contact and tell them you are alright

❖ Avoid driving

Use caution in approaching someone else's property; you could be mistaken for a looter

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency 911

Scott Police Dept. (337) 233-3715

Scott Fire Dept. (337) 235-4725

Scott City Hall (337) 233-1130

Entergy (225) 354-3158

SLEMCO (337) 896-2540