Hurricanes are fierce, with high winds, storm surge, flooding, and power outages. It’s not will it happen; it’s when. Be Prepared!

- Gather supplies at the start of season.
- Store plenty of drinking water (1 gallon a day-per person; 3 day supply)
- Stock up on ready to eat canned food, non-perishable items and a manual can openers
- Gather baby supplies—diapers, formula, clothes, and food
- Have enough supplies for 3 to 5 days—clothes, food, water, battery operated flashlights, battery operated candles or lantern
- Make sure you have enough prescriptions for 2 weeks
- Have a first aid kit stocked
- Store a fire extinguisher
- Gather all important paperwork and place them in water proof storage container (Insurance, medical)
- Store household supplies—toilet paper, soap/liquid detergent, plastic bags, paper plates

Don’t forget the Pets!

Before a storm, ensure you have assembled essential items for each pet.

- Two week supply of food, bottled water, and medication
- Water and food dishes
- Toys, Bedding, and Blankets
- Veterinary records—Rabies Certificate, Identification chip, tattoo number (if applicable)
- Current photo of pet (to prove you are the owner)
- Cleaning supplies (newspaper, plastic bags, disinfectant)
- Pet first aid book and kit

Pets can detect something is wrong, make them feel safe and secure.

**Owners of horses/livestock:**

- Microchip or place identification information on your animals
- Have enough hay, feed, medicine for several days
- Move to higher ground, in case of flooding
- Make sure live stock trailers are ready to go
Evacuation

♦ If you don't feel safe or an evacuation order is proclaimed, make plans to leave early and evacuate to a safer structure.

♦ If you are going to a public shelter, travel north, as Conroe is not a sheltering community.

♦ I-45 North is the evacuation route if needed.

Shelter Supply Checklist

⇒ Cot, air mattress or sleeping bag
⇒ Blankets and pillow
⇒ Clothes for 3-5 days
⇒ Non-perishable snacks, personal meals
⇒ Cards, books, puzzles, games
⇒ Prescriptions & Medication
⇒ Eyeglasses, contacts, and other eye care
⇒ Hearing Aid & Batteries
⇒ Hygiene products (toothbrush, deodorant, shampoo, soap, etc.)
⇒ Flashlight & Batteries
⇒ Radio
⇒ Credit card/cash
⇒ Baby needs

Important Documents
Drivers license/other identification

After the Storm…..

♦ Stay tuned to your local media for important updates from local officials.

♦ Be aware of road closures, and plan alternative routes

♦ Inspect your home for damage. If your home is unsafe or badly damaged, locate other accommodations.

♦ Beware of fallen power lines, and low lying flooded areas

♦ City services will be impacted & will be handling serious incidents during the initial hours of the disaster.

♦ Residents & businesses should prepare to be self-sufficient for at least three days after an emergency.

Emergency Contacts

Emergency: 911
Conroe Fire Department: 936-522-3080
Conroe Police Department: 936-522-3200
Conroe EM: 936-522-3080
Information Hotline: 936-522-3000

Other Resources

FEMA: 940-898-5399 or www.fema.gov
American Red Cross: 713-526-8300 or www.redcross.org
Salvation Army: 936-760-2440
MC Sheriff's Office: 936-760-5871

Be Prepared

♦ Tune in to your local TV or radio news broadcasts for advisories

♦ Know the difference between a Hurricane Watch and Hurricane Warning. A Watch indicates hurricane conditions are possible, generally within 36 hours. A warning indicates hurricane conditions are anticipated, usually within 24 hours

♦ Make sure your vehicle is full of gasoline

♦ Withdraw cash to last several days

♦ Bring inside or secure outdoor items that may blow away in strong winds

♦ Install hurricane shutters or plywood the windows

♦ Reassure children they are safe, Discuss your plan

♦ If you are staying in your home, have a designated safe room (an interior room without windows located on the first floor of your home is best)

♦ All mobile home residents and persons located in low lying areas or beside tidal bodies of water should seek shelter elsewhere.

♦ If roads begin to flood; turn around-don't drown; find alternative route

♦ Text family members and friends to let them know your whereabouts. Text messages will go through faster, as cell lines will be busy.

♦ Do no run generator indoors or inside garage, it generates deadly Carbon Monoxide gas

Being prepared before disaster strikes could save you and your family's life!