



# Flash Risk Control Bulletin

Important safety & risk management information

## Flash Bulletin: Hurricane Preparedness And Recovery

The 2009 Hurricane season runs from June 1<sup>st</sup> thru the end of November. With forecasters saying there is a 70% chance of having 9 to 14 named storms, now is the time to prepare. If we've learned anything from prior storms, preparation is critical. Now is the time to re-evaluate emergency plans and update as needed. The information below should help you review your plans and make steps to minimize loss in the event of a major hurricane this year. For additional information, please contact your Lockton Risk Control Services Consultant.

Below are selected links to information to help you prepare for and recover from hurricanes and tropical storms.

1. **National Hurricane Center**

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

2. **Weather Channel.com**

The Weather Channel's comprehensive storm site, complete with a drop-down menu of satellite photos and computer-generated projection maps.

<http://www.weather.com/newscenter/tropical/stormdetails.html>

3. **FEMA Hurricane Background And Preparedness Information**

Comprehensive information on disaster planning and recovery, provided by the Federal Emergency Management Administration.

<http://www.fema.gov/hazard/hurricane/index.shtm>

[http://www.livescience.com/environment/hurricane\\_prepare.html](http://www.livescience.com/environment/hurricane_prepare.html)

4. **Google Automatic Hurricane News Alert**

Simply enter your email address and Google News will automatically email hurricane updates to you. (We have entered the topic "Hurricane Update" for you.)

<http://www.google.com/newsalerts?q=hurricane+update&hl=en>

5. **Hurricane Preparedness Planning For Businesses**

This document contains information useful before, during and after a storm. Included in the document are templates for assigning tasks and responsibilities to staff members, as well as recommendations for developing a comprehensive plan.

<http://www.harriscountycitizencorps.com/newsletters/hurricaneplanforbusinesses.pdf>

6. **Key Facts About Hurricane Recovery**

This five-page document from the CDC explains how to recognize and protect against the health and safety hazards inherent in post-storm situations.

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/pdf/recovery.pdf>

## 7. Sites To Share With Employees On Preparing Their Homes

<http://www.hurricanesafety.org/home2.cfm>

[http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/HAW2/english/disaster\\_prevention.shtml](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/HAW2/english/disaster_prevention.shtml)

<http://www.ready.gov/america/beinformed/hurricanes.html>

<http://www.listo.gov/america/beinformed/hurricanes.html>

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