Hurricane Dorian Resources

This fact sheet will continue to be updated and resources will be added as they become available.

Hurricane Dorian touched down in the Bahamas as a Category 5 hurricane on Sept. 1, 2019. It is expected to affect the eastern coast of Florida by Sept. 3rd and the Carolinas by Sept. 5th.

**Emergency Contact (During Hurricane):**

- First, call 911. If you can't get through to 911 on the first try, keep calling.
- Second, call your local County Emergency Operation Center
  - Florida: 850-815-4000
  - North Carolina: 919-825-2500
  - South Carolina: 803-737-8500
  See all County Emergency Management here: https://www.floridadisaster.org/counties/

**Stay Informed:**

https://www.floridadisaster.org/
Florida Division of Emergency Management
Phone: 850-815-4000
For Hearing Impaired: 800-226-4329 (TDD/TTY)
State Watch Office: 850-815-4001
Information about evacuations, road closures, news releases, disaster assistance, and more.

https://www.floridadisaster.org/planprepare/disability/
Disability Disaster Information
Information specific for people living with disabilities in Florida.
North Carolina Department of Public Safety
1-888-892-1162
Information about evacuations, road closures, news releases, disaster assistance, and more.

South Carolina Emergency Management Division
Track news, closures and evacuations. Also provides resources, shelter locators, zone finder, and more.

NC Dept of Transportation: Traveler Information Management System
These sites inform about road closures in NC.

NC Flood Inundation Mapping and Alert Network
This site provides alerts of flash flood warnings.

ReadyNC: Functional Needs
Disaster information and resources for people living with disabilities

FEMA: Hurricanes
National Hurricane Center: Hurricane Dorian

Southeast ADA Center
Provides resources to stay informed about preparedness and response for Hurricane Dorian

SHELTERS:

American Red Cross: Find Open Shelters

Shelters in Florida
Florida Division of Emergency Management: Shelter Status
Provides information on shelters which are currently open

https://www.scemd.org/stay-informed/emergency-shelters/
Shelters in South Carolina

http://petfriendlytravel.com/pet_shelters
Pet Evacuation and Pet-Friendly Emergency Shelters
https://www.avma.org/KB/Resources/Reference/disaster/Pages/PETS-Act-FAQ.aspx
American Veterinary Medicine Association: PETS Act (FAQ)
Information regarding disaster policies and rights for pets

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE & RECOVERY:

https://acl.gov/programs/emergency-preparedness
Administration for Community Living: Emergency Preparedness

Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation: Emergency Preparedness for People with Disabilities
Comprehensive disaster preparedness fact sheet for people living with paralysis

https://www.christopherreeve.org/blog/daily-dose/how-your-own-personal-emergency-preparation-can-save-your-life
Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation: Preparing for Hurricane Florence 9/11/18
Contains tips on preparing for any hurricane.

https://www.cajunnavyrelief.com/
Cajun Navy Relief and Rescue
Cajun Navy Relief, Inc
PO Box 791632
New Orleans, LA 70179
Phone: 504-517-6289
Email: info@cajunnavyrelief.com
The mission of Cajun Navy Relief is to save lives. They perform a rescue mission and provide much-needed supplies.

https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/disabilityandhealth/emergency-tools.html
CDC: Disability Emergency Tools
Tools and resources for people living with disabilities, first responders, and emergency managers
Disaster Distress Helpline
Phone: 800-985-5990 or Text “Talk with Us” to 66746
SAMHSA’s Disaster Distress Helpline provides 24/7, 365-day-a-year crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters.

Florida Department of Financial Services: Hurricane Strong

Healthcare Ready
Phone: 1-866-247-2694
Provides information and access to medical and pharmaceutical assistance during disasters.

Medicaid.gov: Disaster Response Toolkit
Provides information for emergency health need services, Medicaid/ Medicaid emergency waivers, and resources for beneficiaries

Medicare beneficiaries: If you lost or damaged your durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and/or supplies because of Hurricane Dorian contact 1-880-MEDICARE (633-4227) for assistance

National Hurricane Survival Initiative

National Weather Service: Hurricane Safety Tips and Resources

Nautic Nomad: A Thorough Hurricane Prep Checklist
A comprehensive prep check list for your home with 30 tips.

The Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies
Phone: (800) 626-4959
Email: info@disasterstrategies.org
The Partnership is the only national membership organization with a mission of equal access to emergency and disaster programs before, during and after disasters for people with disabilities.
A non-profit organization in SC which assists people with disabilities with recovery after natural disasters. The following is from a Portlight email:

Portlight’s Disaster Hotline, 1-800-626-4959, has been assisting callers with disabilities in Florida and South Carolina who have been trying to prepare for evacuation and sheltering, but are learning that state plans are not in place to accommodate their disability, access and functional needs.

Portlight’s Disability Assistance Response Team (DART) and our disability and medical equipment and supply resources are immediately available to all disaster impacted people with disabilities and disability organizations reaching out to us for assistance.

One of Portlight's newest partners is 242 Disability Organization serving people with disabilities on the islands of Grand Bahama, Abaco, Eleuthera, Bimini and the other islands within the Commonwealth of the Bahamas. We are working together to assist Bahamians with disabilities and older adults throughout the catastrophic impact and aftermath of Hurricane Dorian.

https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes

Ready.gov: Hurricanes

Timeline information and resources for before, during, and after a hurricane

https://www.ready.gov/individuals-access-functional-needs

For Individuals with Disabilities

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