What Should You If A Coastal Storm Threatens Your Community?









FAMILY PREPAREDNESS TIPS FOR EVACUATING **DURING A COASTAL STORM**

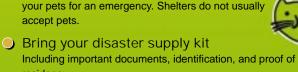




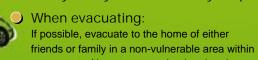
- Enact your family disaster plan
- Map out your route Use travel routes specified by local authorities. DO NOT get on the road without a place to go.

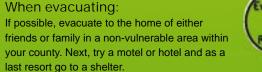


- Fill your car with gasoline
- Evacuate if told to do so DO NOT get stranded, EVACUATE EARLY.
- Enact your pet plan Before a storm threatens, contact your veterinarian or local humane society for information on preparing your pets for an emergency. Shelters do not usually accept pets.



- Secure your home before leaving Board up windows and glass doors, anchor loose yard objects or bring them inside and lock your doors.
- Get cash Following a coastal storm, banks and ATMs may be temporarily closed.
- Notify family and friends of your plans





People who require special assistance in evacuating should register with their local emergency management office.









WATER—at least 1 gallon daily per person for 3 days

FOOD—at least enough for 3 days

- non-perishable packaged or canned food/juices
- food for infants or the elderly
- snack foods
- non-electric can opener
- cooking tools/fuel
- paper plates/plastic utensils

CLOTHING—seasonal/ rain gear/ sturdy shoes

BLANKETS/PILLOWS, etc.

FIRST AID KIT/ MEDICINES

- prescription and non-prescription medications
- glasses, dentures, hearing aids, etc.

SPECIAL ITEMS—for babies and elderly

TOILETRIES—Hygiene items

MOISTURE WIPES

FLASHLIGHT/ BATTERIES

RADIO— Battery Operated and NOAA Weather Radio

CASH

KEYS—Extra set of home and car keys

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS in a waterproof container

- insurance, medical records, bank account numbers, Social Security card, etc.
- identification and proof of residency such as a utility bill
- document all valuables

TOYS/BOOKS/ ENTERTAINMENT

TOOLS—Keep a set with you during the storm

VEHICLE FUEL TANKS FILLED

PET CARE ITEMS

- proper identification/immunization records
- ample supply of food and water
- a carrier or cage
- medications
- muzzle and leash

Watch and Warning...Know the Difference

A WATCH issued for your part of the coast indicates the possibility that you could experience coastal storm or hurricane conditions within 36 hours. This watch should trigger your family's disaster plan, and protective measures should be initiated—especially those actions that require extra time such as securing a boat, leaving a barrier island, etc.

A COASTAL FLOOD WARNING issued for your part of the coast indicates that moderate or severe coastal flooding is occurring, is imminent, or is expected within the next 12 hours.

A HURRICANE WARNING is issued when sustained winds of at least 74 mph are expected within 24 hours. Once this warning has been issued, your family should be in the process of completing protective actions and deciding the safest location to be during the storm.

Listen to Your Emergency Alert System (EAS)

Radio Stations:

New Castle County: WSTW (93.7 FM); WDEL (1150 AM) WDSD (92.9 FM): WDOV (1410 AM) Kent County: WZBH (93.5 FM); WSSR (900 AM) Sussex County:

Statewide Traffic Information: WTMC (1380 AM)

For More Information:

Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) 302-659-3362: in-state toll free: 877-729-3362 www.state.de.us/dema

Local Emergency Management Offices

New Castle County: 302-573-2855 Kent County: 302-736-2222 302-855-7801 Sussex County: 302-571-4430 Wilmington:

Local Contact Information:

(If this area is blank, check the Government Pages of your phone book for your county's emergency management office phone number)

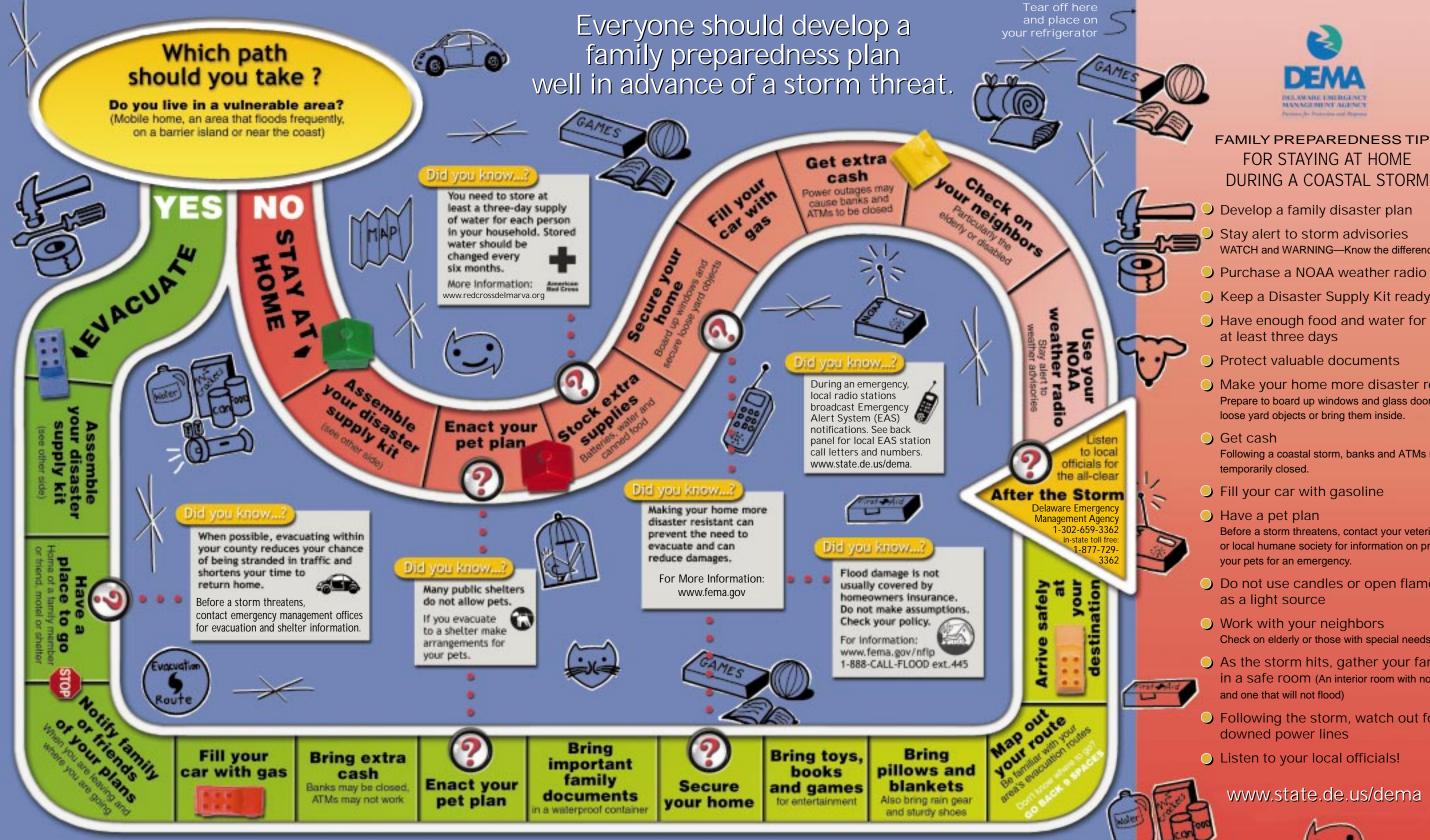




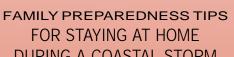


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- WATCH and WARNING—Know the difference
- Keep a Disaster Supply Kit ready
- Make your home more disaster resistant Prepare to board up windows and glass doors, anchor
- Following a coastal storm, banks and ATMs may be
- Before a storm threatens, contact your veterinarian or local humane society for information on preparing
- Do not use candles or open flames
- Check on elderly or those with special needs.
- As the storm hits, gather your family in a safe room (An interior room with no windows
- O Following the storm, watch out for



