

Office of the Twentieth Congressional District of Florida

2021 Hurricane Season Information

The 2021 Atlantic Hurricane Season begins June 1, 2021, and continues through November 30, 2021. Guidance heading into this season maintains postures to protect communities from the spread of COVID-19 when sheltering in enclosed spaces. It is highly recommended you and everyone eligible in your household get vaccinated as soon as possible to prevent spread of the virus while sheltering. Find a vaccination site here.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has announced a change in <u>data informing their Atlantic hurricane season activity forecast</u>. This change utilizes data from the past 30 years, updating their averages from the prior data from 1981 to 2010, which has increased the anticipated average of hurricanes to 14 named storms and seven hurricanes, while category 3–5 storms remain at three per season.

PREPAREDNESS RESOURCES

Know your local storm evacuation zone, including when and how to safely evacuate.

Make a <u>preparedness plan</u> that includes caring for <u>pets</u> and <u>persons with disabilities</u> in your household as well as an <u>evacuation destination</u>, packing at least seven days of medical and other essentials in an <u>emergency</u> kit, and updating and collecting key documents such as IDs.

Stay informed throughout hurricane season through <u>weather alert services</u> and don't forget to keep your electronics charged and have back-up power banks to be <u>tech ready!</u>

Essential sources of information include the following:

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)—Website | Region 4 Twitter | FEMA Mobile App

National Weather Service (NWS)—<u>Website</u> | <u>Atlantic Storms Forecast</u> | <u>Miami-South Florida</u> <u>Twitter</u> | <u>Radio</u>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)—<u>Hurricanes, Severe Storms, and COVID-19</u> | <u>Sheltering Safely During COVID-19</u>

Florida Division of Emergency Management (FLSERT)—Website | Twitter | AlertFlorida

Palm Beach County Public Safety and Emergency Management—Website | Twitter | ALERTPBC

Broward County Emergency Management—Website | Twitter | ALERT! Broward