



## PERQUIMANS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES

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### PRESS RELEASE – 2018 HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

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Summertime is right around the corner and although summer brings fun-filled days, severe weather can quickly put a damper on plans. Perquimans County Emergency Management urges residents to participate in Hurricane Preparedness Week, May 13-19, by updating their emergency plans and supplies kit. After all, the 2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season begins June 1, 2018 and continues through November 30, 2018.

For families, as well as communities, being prepared could mean the difference between being a hurricane victim or a hurricane survivor. It is vital for everyone to have an emergency plan in place before a storm threatens Perquimans County. As such Perquimans County Emergency Management urges residents to take the time to write down your hurricane plan and update your emergency supplies kit with enough non-perishable food and water to last each person in your family a minimum of one week. Below is our recommended checklist.

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**PERQUIMANS COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**  
EMERGENCY DIAL 9-1-1  
NON-EMERGENCY (252) 426-7029

- NON-PERISHABLE FOOD
- FRESH BOTTLED WATER
- FIRST AID KIT
- PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES
- HYGIENE SUPPLIES
- EXTRA CLOTHING
- UTILITY TOOLS
- MEDICAL RECORDS
- IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS
- PET SUPPLIES
- FAMILY CALLING TREE
- PORTABLE RADIO & FLASHLIGHTS
- ASSORTED BATTERIES
- EVACUATION PLANS
- EMERGENCY CASH

**Disasters take many forms**  
Pandemic – Tornadoes – Emergencies – Terrorism  
**Keep Your Family Prepared**

Stay informed when severe weather strikes by tuning in to local news or listening to a NOAA Weather Radio. Stay alert for evacuation information and know evacuation routes in our community. Heed the warnings from state and local officials and evacuate quickly when told to do so. More information on severe weather and hurricane preparedness can be found on [www.ReadyNC.org](http://www.ReadyNC.org) and [www.perquimanscountync.gov](http://www.perquimanscountync.gov). Finally, please download the free ReadyNC mobile app, which provides up-to-date weather and traffic conditions for North Carolina.