June 1 - November 30 marks Hurricane Season.

When a storm’s winds reaches 74 mph, it becomes a Hurricane, and its intensity is given a category of 1 - 5, 5 being the most intense, and potentially causing the greatest damage.

Since 1980 to 2017, there have been 73 named storms or hurricanes, causing over 300 deaths.

Storm surge is the rise of water caused by a storm’s winds. Unfortunately, storm surge and flooding are the leading cause of hurricane related deaths.

Storm surge can travel several miles inland: 75% of homes flooded during Hurricane Harvey were not in a FEMA designated flood plain, and most property owners did not have flood insurance.

Hurricane Harvey: By The Numbers

- 89 deaths
- $19 billion in insured losses
- 200,000+ structures damaged or destroyed
- 500,000+ autos damaged or destroyed
- 154,000 homes flooded in Harris County

One half of the flooded homes were located outside designated flood plains

64% of these homes had no flood insurance

What to know before, during, and after the storm

BEFORE

- Check your insurance coverages
- Make an evacuation plan
- Prepare your home
- Inventory your personal property
- Create an emergency supply kit
- Fill your gas tank

DURING

- Heed warnings from first responders
- Check family & neighbors
- Pack up medications, water, pets
- Find safest interior room in your home

AFTER

- When safe walk around your home
- If flooding occurs do not turn on lights
- Listen to news reports for updates
- Begin insurance process

Texas Deadly Storms since 2001

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