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# Mayors Fax Advisory

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Re: Hurricane Season

Dear Mayor,

The New Jersey Office of Emergency Management (NJOEM) has asked us to provide and your citizens some important information regarding this hurricane season.

Hurricane season runs from approximately June 1 through November 20, but as demonstrated by the 2005 season (including Hurricane Katrina) this time frame can vary. For New Jersey, the peak time for hurricanes and tropical storms runs from mid-August through the end of October

NJOEM recommends the following readiness steps:

- "Get a Kit" of emergency supplies – the items that will help you stay self-sufficient for up to three days (72 hours), if needed.
- "Make a Plan" for what you and your family will do during an emergency – this includes knowing how to evacuate and how to Shelter-in-Place.
- "Stay Informed" of possible threats – especially during Hurricane Season. Tune into your local media outlets for the latest breaking weather news. In the event of an emergency a battery powered radio is a great tool.

Additional information on the hurricane season is available at: <http://www.ready.nj.gov/plan/hurricane-before.html>. Please feel free to post this link on your municipal website.

Please make this information available to your residents.

Very truly yours,

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