

Education is the Key

This informational brochure is provided by the Daufuskie Island Fire Department for your education, safety and wellbeing during this hurricane season. It is important that the residents and visitors of Daufuskie Island understand the island's Hurricane Evacuation Plan and safety tips contained in this brochure.

Flooding is Likely

Daufuskie Island and other coastal barrier islands have the potential for significant flooding.



Below is the Saffir/Simpson Scale which indicates the category of hurricane based upon sustained wind speeds.

SAFFIR /SIMPSON SCALE

CAT	WINDS (MPH)	EXAMPLES
1	74-95	David/SC
2	96-110	Dennis/NC
3	111-129	Floyd/SC
4	130-156	Hugo/SC
5	Greater than 157	Camille/MS

Evacuation Operations

There will be one evacuation order issued for Daufuskie Island by the Governor's Office in Columbia, SC. The evacuation order will be a mandatory evacuation. There will be no voluntary evacuation order.

Daufuskie Island residents and guests may use the Beaufort County-provided boat for evacuation. The county-provided boat will pick up all passengers at Daufuskie Landing (formerly known as the Melrose Dock) and take them to Palmetto Bay Marina. The county will provide a bus at the Palmetto Bay Marina to carry residents and guests to the nearest Red Cross shelter if desired.

During the mandatory evacuation, you may take aboard any item within reason provided it does not threaten the security of the boat passengers or conflict with the boat captain's ability to safely transport the passengers.

Residents riding a private ferry system should check with their General Manager for guidelines relative to their community.

WATCHES & WARNINGS

Hurricane Watch: Conditions pose a possible threat to your area within 48 hours.

Hurricane Warning: Conditions are expected in your area within 36 hours.

Pets

The Beaufort County Animal Shelter and Control does not board pets during a hurricane evacuation. They suggest the following for pet owners:

Have a safe place to take your pets. Before you evacuate, check for hotels/motels that accept pets. Find friends/relatives outside the affected area that can shelter your pets.

Assemble a portable pet disaster supply kit. Include medications, medical records, leashes, carriers, food, water, can opener, beds, toys, litter boxes, etc.

Pets are not allowed in Red Cross shelters.

In the event of a disaster, if you must evacuate, the most important thing you can do to protect your pets is to evacuate them too. Leaving pets behind, even if you try to create a safe place for them, is likely to result in them being injured, lost, or worse.

For more pet information, contact the Beaufort County Animal Shelter and Control at:

(843) 255 – 5010

After the Storm

If you are in a public shelter, remain there until informed by those in charge that it is safe to leave.

Updated disaster recovery and re-entry information will be posted on the county's web site at: www.bcgov.net.

Re-entry information will also be recorded on the Beaufort County's public telephone number: **1-800-963-5023**

Recorded messages may advise of road conditions, curfews, utility restoration, time lines, damage estimates, shelter information, times the County expects to allow re-entry, etc.

You may also call your property owner's association or visit its web-site.

Recovery

All county-maintained roads on Daufuskie Island will be cleared by the county. The owners of private roads are responsible for cleanup of their own roads. FEMA will not reimburse for debris removal on private property.

Important Information

Medications: Make a complete list of all medications you take and the name of your doctor prescribing them. Make sure that you have sufficient medications for at least 3 days. Take these items with you when you evacuate.

Citizens with Special Needs: If you or your neighbor has a disability or special need, contact the Daufuskie Island Fire Department prior to an evacuation for assistance at 843-785-8358.

Plan Ahead: Make your plans early. Do not wait until the last minute. Review the evacuation routes for Hilton Head, Bluffton, and Jasper County. Gather flashlights, batteries, matches, first aid kit, candles, drinking water, food, itemized furnishing and clothing. Make sure your vehicles are full of fuel.

Remember that you must be able to show proof of ownership for your home or vehicle in order to claim a loss through insurance or FEMA. Take photos or a video of your home and belongings. This will help adjusters settle a claim.

2016 Hurricane Evacuation Plan

*Daufuskie Island
South Carolina*



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