



Consular Services

Hurricane Season Travel Tips

The hurricane season occurs from early June to late November. Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and the east and Gulf coasts of the United States are the most threatened areas. Catastrophic storms can cause extreme damage to infrastructure, cutting off access to transportation, emergency assistance, medical care, and food and water. The ability of consular officials to assist Canadian citizens may be limited in such circumstances.



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If you plan to travel during the hurricane season, we encourage you to:

- **Check our Travel Reports and Warnings page at www.travel.gc.ca/travelreports** to see if it is safe to travel to your destination.
- **Confirm travel arrangements** prior to departure and ensure that your **travel insurance** allows for trip cancellation or interruption in the event of a hurricane.
- **Ensure that detailed information is left with family or friends in Canada**, including the name of the tour operator, flight details, hotel name, location, room number and telephone numbers, cruise ship details and itineraries.
- **Ensure that emergency contact information is provided on page 4 of your passport** and leave copies of all travel documents with someone in Canada.
- **Register on-line** with the responsible Canadian government office abroad at www.travel.gc.ca/register.
- **Monitor local news broadcasts and weather reports carefully**, follow the advice of local authorities and tour

operators and know how to contact the nearest Canadian government office (see www.travel.gc.ca/offices).

- **Obtain up-to-date weather forecasts** for the region from the National Hurricane Center at www.nhc.noaa.gov.
- **Visit the website of the Canadian Hurricane Centre** at ww.atl.ec.gc.ca/weather/hurricane for recommendations on hurricane preparedness.
- **Carry contact details for our Emergency Operations Centre**, which operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and accepts collect calls (where available) from Canadians requiring assistance abroad (tel.: **613-996-8885**, e-mail: sos@international.gc.ca).

For more information, see our website at www.travel.gc.ca. Or contact us by telephone (**1-800-267-6788** or **613-944-6788**), TTY (**1-800-394-3472** or **613-944-1310**) or e-mail (travel@international.gc.ca).