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SUBJ: 2021 HURRICANE SEASON - ENSURING PERSONNEL READINESS

1. Hurricane season begins 01 June and continues through 30 November. Given the past years' hurricanes and evacuations, it is critical we remain vigilant and be prepared this hurricane season. In preparation, it is vital that all Coast Guard personnel be familiar with the tools and resources available to them. Hurricanes are among nature's most powerful and destructive phenomena. You cannot be ready to help others, unless you and your family are ready first.

2. Military Personnel can visit the Office of Military Personnel Policy (CG-133) website for helpful information on evacuation allowances and frequently asked questions. This information will help you and your family be better prepared. Visit the site at: <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Human-Resources-CG-1/Director-of-Military-Personnel-CG-13/Military-Personnel-Policy-CG-133/>.

3. Civilian Personnel can visit the Office of Civilian Human Resources (CG-123) website for the civilian emergency situations guide to find important information on evacuation allowances. This information can be accessed at: <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Human-Resources-CG-1/Civilian-Human-Resources-Diversity-and-Leadership-Directorate-CG-12/Civilian-HR/>.

4. When possible, commands are encouraged to reach out to COMDT (CG-133) prior to a hurricane or event which may require evacuation to help ensure that correct pay and entitlement guidance is given. Commands should also review PPCs Evacuation Travel and Travel Claim Resources found at: <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/ppc/travel>. The PPC website provides guidance on a wide range of issues from drafting an evacuation message to preparing travel claims after the natural disaster is over.

5. All personnel are reminded to check their Coast Guard Personnel Accountability and Assessment System (CGPAAS) information for accuracy at: <https://cgpaas.uscg.mil/cas/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fcgpaas.uscg.mil%2F>.

6. Information about support programs and services available to Coast Guard members, civilian personnel, and family members is available on the HSWL app available at: <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Human-Resources-CG-1/Health-Safety-and-Work-Life-CG-11/Office-of-Work-Life-CG-111/Ombudsman-Program/Ombudsman-App/>. Upload the "USCG HSWL" app on your cell phone to have all the hurricane resource information listed above readily available, 24/7.

7. Review your insurance policy to ensure that you have adequate coverage for your home now, not after a loss is incurred. If you rent a house or apartment and do not already have renter's insurance, you should talk to a professional insurance agent about purchasing a renters insurance policy. Also, keep in mind that homeowner or renters insurance does not cover flood damage; flood insurance must be purchased separately and most flood insurance policies require a 30-day waiting period before the coverage is effective.

8. The safety and protection of Coast Guard members and their families is of paramount concern and you are strongly encouraged to prepare early for a safe hurricane season.

9. Questions about this ALCOAST can be directed to COMDT (CG-133)

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https://cg.portal.uscg.mil/library/generalmessages/General Messages/GENMSG2021/ALCOAST/192-21_ALCOAST.txt

at: HQS-Policyandstandards@uscg.mil.

10. RADM J. M. Nunan, Assistant Commandant of Human Resources (CG-1), sends.

11. Internet release is authorized.