



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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## Hurricane Dorian

Friday, September 6, 2019 – 11:00

In preparations for potential impacts from Hurricane Dorian, Town Staff and Emergency Officials are taking actions to minimize damage and ensure public safety. Residents are strongly encouraged to do the same. Similar storms in the past have resulted in multi day power outages, fallen trees, localized flooding and damage or loss of outdoor items such as patio furniture.

While landfall of this storm is expected on the Atlantic Coast of Nova Scotia, the size of the storm results in a high probability of Tropical Storm force conditions extending to our area.

The following advice is being issued by the Province:

- It's crucial New Brunswickers stay informed about the latest forecasts and adjust their actions accordingly;
- People need to be able to meet their needs for at least three days. A 72-hour preparedness kit is essential;
- High winds are likely. Objects that could blow away and become potentially dangerous projectiles, such as lawn furniture, should be secured or taken inside;
- Power outages are possible. Residents who have a generator should make sure they have sufficient fuel and that it is in proper working order. Those who have a generator but have never used it are encouraged to read the instructions on how to operate it safely;
- Localized flooding is a potential threat. Homeowners should make sure their gutters are clear and guiding water away from the home and should make sure catch basins near the home are clear;
- Drivers should avoid roads covered by water. Water may be deeper than it appears and may conceal sinkholes or other damage and debris;
- People living or working in coastal areas should remain vigilant about the threat posed by waves and storm surge. This is not the time for recreational boating.

The Town's emergency management team will be activating to Level 1, Active Monitoring. This means: "An actual or potential emergency situation has been identified. Continuous monitoring by Municipal Emergency Operations Centre (MEOC) members is taking place. 24/7 monitoring of MEOC phone line begins."

Should you need to contact the MEOC, you can do so by calling 343-0974 or by emailing [emo@towngbw.ca](mailto:emo@towngbw.ca).

Should conditions warrant, the Municipal Emergency Operations Centre will open and move to a higher activation level as needed.

Residents should monitor local media outlets and Environment Canada weather warnings throughout the storm.