



UNICARIBE[®]
UNIVERSIDAD DEL CARIBE



**ACADEMIA
MILITAR
DEL CARIBE**

HURRICANE- DRIVEN SEASON

Begins on January 1st. June and ends on November 30 of each year

TROPICAL

The cyclone is a rotating system, composed of clouds and storms, that originates over tropical or subtropical waters, with a closed circulation center at the lower levels of the atmosphere (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA], 2013). It is a major threat, as it is a powerful natural phenomenon that can reach winds greater than 119 km per hour and cause great damage and losses.

IMPORTANT

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**GATHER YOUR WHOLE
FAMILY**



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**STAY INFORMED
ABOUT WEATHER
REPORTS**



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**REINFORCE DOORS
AND WINDOWS**



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**PRUNE TREES AROUND
THE HOUSE**



PROTOCOL BEFORE A CYCLE

BEFORE

1. Pay attention to the official notices related to the event and the instructions issued by ONAMET and the COE.
2. Activate the Institutional Emergency Committee (CEI) when the COE issues a tropical cyclone, storm, or hurricane alert, and inform the university community to remain vigilant and, when deemed necessary, remain in their homes for greater safety.
3. Carry out a cleaning day in the outdoor area and offices, inspecting the roofs, cornices and drains that do not have an accumulation of debris and garbage. Likewise, outdoor objects that can fly with strong breezes or accumulate water should be stored, and trees that can cause damage should be pruned.
4. Allocate space to protect teaching materials, available resources, and electronic equipment, placed on desks or other furniture, away from windows, covered with waterproof material. Documents must have digital copies, protected with a password.
5. Stockpile supplies including medications and cleaning materials for possible use after the event.
6. Have emergency phones at hand. Also, it is important to keep your mobile phone charged when the hurricane is approaching.
7. Once the storm is imminent and all safety measures are executed, the members of the squad must disconnect the electrical power and close the gas pipes, doors and windows.
8. Develop communication and information days throughout the educational community about the Hurricane Season and its main characteristics, focusing on what should be done before, during, and after a cyclone or tropical storm.

DURING

1. Pay attention to the bulletins issued by ONAMET and the COE.
2. To ensure the lives of the university community by following the instructions of the competent bodies.

AFTER

1. Hold a meeting of the Institutional Emergency Committee (CEI) for a preliminary assessment of the damage, if any, and the prevailing conditions of the university.
2. Submit a more detailed and formal assessment report, considering human losses and damage to (injured) people, property, equipment and lifelines.
3. If the evaluation determines that there are safety conditions, the buildings and the campus must be cleaned, with caution, in order to resume operations as soon as possible.
4. If the university infrastructure was not damaged, restart administrative and teaching work, informing the members of the campus about diseases that can be contracted after the event, such as dengue, malaria, cholera and leptospirosis; the proper use of water and how to make it drinkable before consumption; and hygiene care, especially hand washing before eating and after using the bathroom.