

# CARTERET COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER



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For immediate release:

Hurricane Dorian  
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*Carteret County, NC* – Hurricane Dorian is now a Category 3 storm. Carteret County expects the weather will deteriorate quickly throughout the day today, Thursday, September 5, 2019. Once inclement weather arrives, do not try to leave your home during the storm.

Carteret County Emergency Management recommends residents who are evacuating should be in a safe location by today at noon. Residents who plan to shelter in place should have plenty of supplies and back-up power sources. Those residents evacuating to a shelter should do so at this time. CCATS will provide transportation to the Newport pet friendly shelter as long as it is safe to do so. To schedule a ride, residents can call 252-732-0825. The shelter is located at Newport Middle School, 500 E Chatham Street, Newport, NC.

The National Weather Service stated our area will have life threatening storm surge, rapid flooding, high winds, heavy rain and possible tornados. Those County residents who live in manufactured homes such as park models, mobile homes or recreational vehicles should evacuate or get to a shelter.

Carteret Craven Electric advises that residents may be without power for several days. Those residents with electricity powered medical equipment should plan for prolonged power outages. We stress that those residents have a back-up power source or evacuate to a location where electricity will be accessible throughout and after the storm passes.

Residents should be cautious while driving. Do not drive through flooded areas even if they look shallow enough to cross. Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger vehicles causing loss of control and possible stalling.

As hurricane weather arrives, be sure to adhere to the orders from emergency management officials. As a reminder, public safety response will be suspended during the most intense part of the Hurricane. Residents need to make sure they are ready and prepared when the storm hits. If flood waters rise in your home, do not shelter in the attic of your home, unless it has a secondary exit.

Updates can be found on local news stations and the following social media sites:

300 North 12<sup>th</sup> St.  
Morehead City, NC 28557  
[www.facebook.com/CCES7](http://www.facebook.com/CCES7)

Carteret County Emergency Management Facebook page- [www.facebook.com/CCES7](http://www.facebook.com/CCES7)

Carteret County Website- [www.carteretcountync.gov](http://www.carteretcountync.gov)

Carteret County Facebook page- [www.facebook.com/carteretcounty](http://www.facebook.com/carteretcounty)

Public Access to WebEOC: <https://carteret.webeocasp.com/carteret>

Contact the Emergency Operations Center at (252) 726-7061 for general information.

If you have life threatening emergencies, please contact 911.

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