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INFORMATION ABOUT EMERGENCIES

On the Web: Use credible websites to get information about natural hazards and emergency preparedness. The NJOEM works closely with the National Weather Service and the National Hurricane Center regarding storm predictions and forecasts.

- **National Weather Service**
<http://www.erh.noaa.gov/er/phi/>
- **National Hurricane Center**
<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>
- **New Jersey Office of Emergency Management** www.ready.nj.gov
- **ReadyNJ Alerts & Updates Blog**
readynj.wordpress.com



Social Media: Social media and other advanced communications technologies are used by the EMS and by emergency managers statewide.

- **NJOEM on Facebook:**
www.facebook.com/READYNEWJERSEY
- **NJOEM on Twitter:** www.twitter.com/READYNJ
- **NJ State Police on Facebook:**
www.facebook.com/NewJerseyStatePolice
- **NJ State Police on Twitter:**
www.twitter.com/NJSP

Alerts - Mobile / Text (SMS) & E-Mail:

- **NIXLE**
Subscribe to the NJ State Police on Nixle Connect:
<http://local.nixle.com/new-jersey-state-police/>
New Jersey residents can register to receive messages by sending a text message with their zip code to 888777 (data rates may apply depending on your plan). Online registration is also available at www.nixle.com.
- **NJ Alert**
NJ Alert is a free, voluntary and confidential emergency alerting system that allows NJ Office of Emergency

Management officials to send E-mail or text messages to cell phones, and other email enabled devices during an emergency event. Sign up for NJ Alert by logging on to: www.njalert.gov.

- **CMAS** (Community Mobile Alert System)
This nationwide system is now being employed by the National Weather Service to transmit weather Warnings (but not Watches) to your cell phone. A warning means the hazard is imminent; a watch means conditions are favorable for the hazard to occur. Your cell phone must be WEA (Wireless Emergency Alert) enabled to receive these messages, so it depends on the make/model of the phone. There is an opt-out option, **but we recommend that you do not opt-out of receiving these NWS messages**. Read about WEA alerts here: <http://www.erh.noaa.gov/lwx/WEA/WEA.php>

NOAA Weather Radio:

NOAA Weather Radio is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information directly from the nearest National Weather Service Office. NOAA Weather Radio broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. NOAA Weather Radios are typically inexpensive, easily available in stores and can often be programmed for your specific area.

Traditional Media:

- Continue to monitor traditional media sources — TV, newspapers and radio — to stay informed of breaking news and continued coverage of emergency events.
- Find out if your community has a “**reverse 9-1-1**” system or if you can opt-in for email updates from municipal officials.
- This NJOEM website contains a link to New Jersey’s 21 County Offices of Emergency Management with county websites, social media tools and county alert and warning systems listed as well. Sign up, opt-in or connect to receive important local alerts. <http://www.ready.nj.gov/about/association.html>