

Are you Ready...?



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Summer is coming to a close. Our kids are getting ready to go back to school. We are thinking about the last summer holiday, Labor Day which is fast approaching! What is not on our minds (and should be) is that it is still hurricane season. Our second named hurricane, Danielle was just downgraded from a category 2 to a category 1 hurricane and will most likely turn in a more north-northeast direction. Hurricane season in the Atlantic begins June 1st and ends November 30th. NOAA has predicted another 9 named storms before the season ends. Surely with that many possible storms, we will feel the effects of at least one before the end of the season.

So my question remains. Are you ready?

I can rattle off meaningless statistics about how we are due for a big one, but unless Fire Island is submerged and Freeport's main street has 3 feet of water, we tend not to take notice or even think about what we might need in case we are hit.

So for all my readers, here on 516ads.com, I say to you, when you have a moment, go to [www.http://ready.gov](http://ready.gov) and check out the information. And like my buddies in the Fire Service say, you need to have a plan and practice it.

So with Danielle most likely a memory, why not take a look at the sight and see what you need. In most cases, we will be just bulking up on commonly used items, like bottled water and batteries. In other cases, you will be surprised when you can't find documentation that you thought was right there in your filing cabinet.

Let's hope and pray that Danielle and her 9 friends all fizzle out and we can concentrate on our families and businesses.

But, let's also make sure that 'We are Ready!'

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