

# USVI 2023 Inclement Weather/ Hurricane Handout 001 General Preparedness— Facilities

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## Identifying Hurricane Hazards and Risks

### I. Natural Hazards:

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### III. Human Caused Hazards

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### IV. Technology-related Hazards

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**#Preparedness**

## Keeping Your Facility Safe

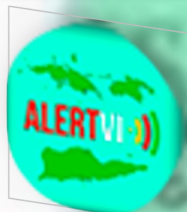
Establishing a Hurricane Preparedness Plan will help prepare your workplace for potential impacts from Hurricanes and ensure safety for your employees.

- ◇ Reduce Property Damage by reinforcing roof, windows, doors, ceilings and storage units.
- ◇ Keep Generators and Alternate Power/Heat sources outside 20 feet away from windows and doors.
- ◇ Post Emergency and Safety Signs in visible locations for both patrons and employees.
- ◇ Secure and stow away important physical documents, mechanical tools, and electronics.

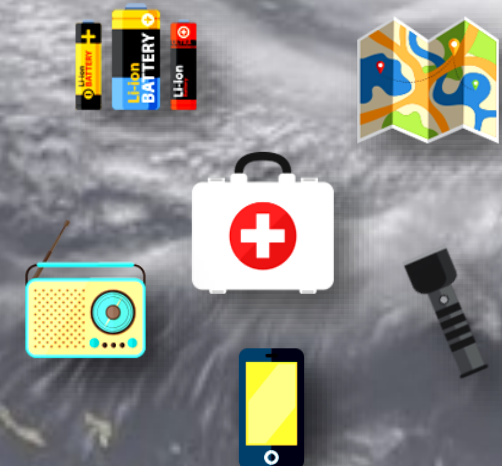


## Disaster Preparedness Tips

- ⇒ [Create a Hurricane Supply Kit](#)
- ⇒ [Set-Up VITEMA Storm Alerts t](#)



**Hurricanes are Massive  
Storm Systems**



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## Keeping Your Home Safe

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[Hand Hygiene Quick Card](#)

[Ladder Safety Quick Card™](#)

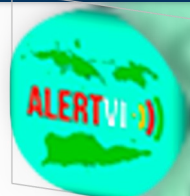
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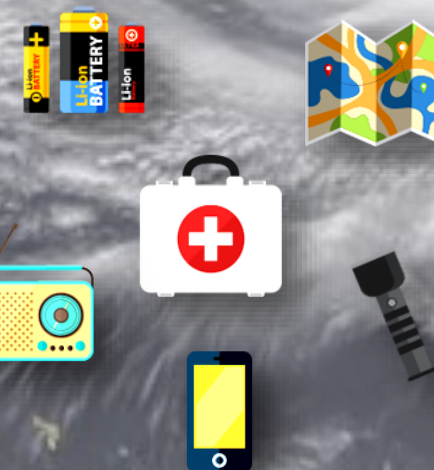


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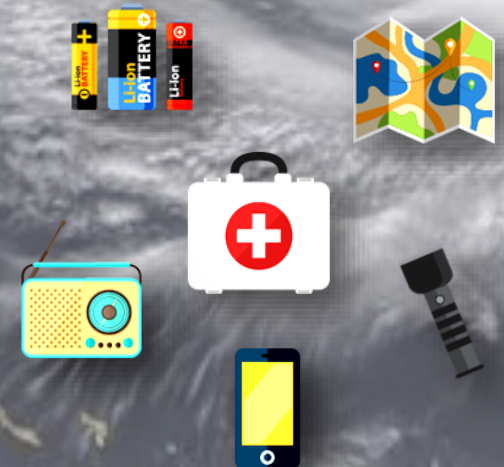


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## 004 Proper Generator Use

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## #Response

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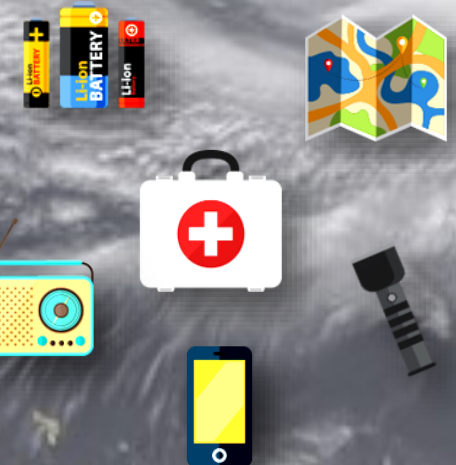


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### Fall Prevention with Ladders

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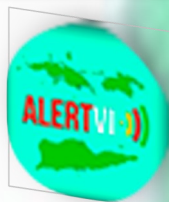
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