

**TOWN OF WAREHAM**  
**Emergency Management Agency**  
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**To: Residents and Visitors**

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**RE: Evacuation Shelter for Town of Wareham**

The official Red Cross sanctioned evacuation shelter for the Town of Wareham is the Multi Service Center located at 48 Marion Road, Wareham.

Guidelines for evacuation;

**Option A – Stay at home**

If your home can withstand the anticipated winds, is away from the coast and on fairly high ground, and is not in a flood prone area then plan to stay at home.

**Option B – Stay with a relative, friend, or hotel located outside the areas required to evacuate**

If you expect to stay at someone else's home or a hotel, make advance arrangements. If staying at a friend or relative's home, be certain it is adequately prepared and is located in a safe area. Consider where you will go if the friend or relative is out of town.

**Option C – Relocate Inland**

Your town's emergency management officials have developed a sheltering and evacuation policy for land falling storms. If you are visiting the area, you may have to travel considerable distances on unfamiliar roads and should include a current road map as a part of your disaster supply kit. Know where you are going and plan, not only the best route, but alternate routes. Leave early to avoid heavy traffic, possible flooding and high winds. If you wait until the Hurricane Warning to leave, you may find heavy traffic congestion and possible closures of roads and bridges.

**Option D – Public shelters**

Local Officials will open public shelters in areas outside of the evacuation area. A public shelter should be your last option and used only if you have no other safe place to go. Do not report to a shelter until it has been

opened. Consult with public officials for potential shelter sites. Be familiar with their locations and the most direct routes from your home to the shelters. Pets are not allowed in Red Cross shelters and alternative arrangements must be made for them. Do not wait until the last minute to activate your plan. If an evacuation order is given, move quickly but without panic.