

What else can I do to get ready?

✓ 1. Prepare a Go Bag.

Assemble a readiness kit with personal ID, important papers, medications, and telephone numbers of important contacts. Remember, medications have expiration dates, so it is important to keep your readiness kit updated.

✓ 2. Make a Household Plan.

Free Self-Preparedness Guides and Checklists are available from your County Office of Emergency Management, as well as the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management. Your plan should identify places to stay if you must evacuate.

✓ 3. Make Plans for Your Pets.

Shelters are only for people and service animals. Make arrangements for your pets before an emergency.

✓ 4. Tune to Your Local News.

Stay tuned to your local radio or television stations for timely notices.

Register
READY
www.registerready.nj.gov



**Register today to be ready
for tomorrow!**

What is the NJ Special Needs Registry?

The NJ Special Needs Registry is designed to help emergency responders locate and safely evacuate people who could find it difficult to help themselves in the event of a major disaster, such as a hurricane.



The NJ Special Needs Registry is . . .

- ✓ free
- ✓ voluntary
- ✓ strictly confidential
- ✓ protective of your privacy
- ✓ a way to protect you in a major emergency

Who should register?

You (or someone on your behalf) should register if you may find it difficult to get to safety with family or friends, or to a public shelter during an emergency evacuation, because of a physical or cognitive limitation, language barrier, or lack of transportation.

Who sees Registry information?

You will only be asked for information necessary to get you to the safest place possible, if you have no other means to evacuate.

The NJ Special Needs Registry complies with all laws to protect your privacy and confidential information. Our only goal is to keep you and your loved ones safe.

How can I register?

- ✓ Log onto www.registerready.nj.gov
- ✓ Telephone 2-1-1, toll-free.
- ✓ Telephone your County Office of Emergency Management.
- ✓ Mail a completed paper form to your County Office of Emergency Management.

Where can I get Registry help?

Call New Jersey's toll-free 2-1-1 telephone service for registration help, translation, and TTY/TDD services.

Tell me about evacuation.

Your first choice should be to move to a safe location with family or friends. Make those plans in advance. The availability of public shelters will depend on the size and scope of the emergency.

A caregiver should accompany you to your pre-selected location or a public shelter, if possible. Make a back-up evacuation plan, in case your caregiver is unavailable.

Look for this **Register Ready** logo in the newspaper, on the Internet, and throughout your community for more preparedness information.





The first step in emergency preparedness for individuals who may need assistance in a disaster.

What is Register Ready?

Register Ready is a free, secure, voluntary database designed to help emergency managers and first responders plan for and support people with disabilities and access and functional needs (DAFN).

You (or someone on your behalf) are encouraged to register if you have a physical, developmental, cognitive, or behavioral impairment.



Who Should Register?

Permanent and seasonal NJ residents with DAFN who may need help evacuating, sheltering in place or at a public shelter, or requiring emergency assistance should register. Individuals with a temporary disability, such as a high-risk pregnancy or other serious medical condition, should register.



How Can I Register?

- *Go to: www.registerready.nj.gov*
- *Telephone 2-1-1 (within NJ), or 877-652-1148 toll free (TTY/ TDD and translation services available)*
- *Contact your County Office of Emergency Management*
- *Contact your local Center for Independent Living*



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