

ANNEX 5 TO BASIC PLAN

GOVERNOR'S DECLARATIONS

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EXAMPLE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

State of South Carolina

Executive Department



Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the National Hurricane Center has determined that the coastline of the State of South Carolina is presently vulnerable to the effects of a strengthening hurricane that continues to develop in the Atlantic Ocean; and

**WHEREAS**, I have been advised that Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ is advancing in a \_\_\_\_\_ direction and represents a threat to the safety, security, welfare and property of citizens and transients living in South Carolina.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in South Carolina. I direct that the South Carolina Emergency Operations Plan be placed into effect. I direct that all prudent preparations be taken at the individual, local, and state levels to protect against the possible effects of Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_. I further direct that the South Carolina National Guard be placed on a standby status and, at the discretion of the Adjutant General, in consultation with the Governor's Office, and in coordination with South Carolina Emergency Management Division, specified units of the National Guard be placed on active duty to assist civil authorities and to take all reasonable precautions as is necessary for the preservation of life and property.

Further Proclamations and Orders deemed necessary to ensure the fullest possible protection of life and property during this State of Emergency shall be issued verbally by me, and thereafter published for dissemination within the succeeding twenty-four hour period.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS \_\_ DAY OF MONTH, YEAR.

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE

**EXAMPLE MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDER FOR CATEGORY 3 HURRICANE**

**State of South Carolina**

**Executive Department**



**Office of the Governor**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the National Hurricane Center advises that Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ will strike the coast of South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the force of Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ represents an imminent threat to the safety, security and welfare of the residents and visitors of South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, a state of emergency has been declared (Executive Order Number \_\_\_\_ ) in South Carolina and the South Carolina Emergency Operations Plan was placed into effect in order to provide for the health, safety and welfare of residents and visitors located in the threatened areas where the effect of Hurricane \_\_\_\_ could be experienced; and

**WHEREAS**, I am authorized pursuant to Section 25-1-440 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the elected chief executive of the state to direct and compel evacuation of all or part of the populace from any stricken or threatened area if this action is deemed necessary for the preservation of life or other disaster mitigation, response, or recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, I have determined that evacuation is necessary for the preservation of life in and surrounding the threatened area.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, I do hereby order a mandatory evacuation of all persons and selected health care facilities located on barrier islands, on beachfront property; near low lying rivers, creeks, or streams, and in manufactured housing; in the following counties: Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry, and Jasper. *(Delete counties that don't apply)* Persons in inland counties near the projected path of Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ should take all precautions to ensure their protection from potential high winds and inland flooding. This evacuation order is effective \_\_\_\_ AM/PM, (insert date). All persons are ordered to evacuate the area as expeditiously as possible. Governing authorities are responsible for and may determine that essential response personnel may remain within mandatorily evacuated areas. Area specific details for the mandatory evacuation follow: *(Delete areas that don't apply)*

1. Beaufort County: All residents and tourists are asked to evacuate.
2. Berkeley County: All residents and tourists south of Clements Ferry Road and south of Halfway Creek Road to Guerins Bridge Road, and those living along the Cooper River south of Hagan Plantation between one mile east of the Cooper River and one mile west of the Back River; also those residents living in low-lying areas along the Goose Creek Reservoir; and all manufactured housing residents.

3. Charleston County: West Ashley Area: All residents and tourists except for those residing in and northwest of the town of Ravenel, Hollywood, and Meggett; and all manufactured housing residents. Charleston Peninsula and Charleston Neck Area: All residents and tourists southeast of Cosgrove Avenue. North Charleston Area: All residents and tourists west of I-26 and south of Montague Ave.; remaining areas between Dorchester Road and the Ashley River, low-lying areas around Noisett Creek; and all manufactured housing residents. East Cooper Area: All residents and tourists east of the Cooper River to the Georgetown County line; and all manufactured housing residents.
4. Colleton County: All residents and tourists south of Alternate 17, Ritter Road, and south of the Iron Crossroads and Cottageville Communities; Edisto Beach; and all manufactured housing residents.
5. Dorchester County: Residents and tourists living in low-lying areas along Rantowles Creek and all manufactured housing residents.
6. Georgetown County: All residents and tourists on or east of US 17 and US 17 Bypass in the northern portion of the county; the city of Georgetown; residents living in low-lying areas along rivers, streams, and creeks, and all manufactured housing residents.
7. Hampton County: All residents and tourists in low-lying areas along the Tulifinny River and all manufactured housing residents.
8. Horry County: All residents and tourists on or east of Bypass US 17 in southern Grand Strand and on or East of US 17 in the northern Grand Strand area, all residents living in low-lying areas along rivers, streams, and creeks, and all manufactured housing residents.
9. Jasper County: All residents and tourists east and south of I-95 and west of Purrysburg Road (SC 34); west of I-95, areas northwest of Hardeeville and south of Bagshaw Swamp and the Coosawhatchie area north of Taylor Mill Road (CR 175) and east of Loghaul Road (CR 39); and all manufactured housing residents.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF MONTH, YEAR.

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE

**EXAMPLE SELECTIVELY ISSUING A MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDER FOR HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

**State of South Carolina**



**Executive Department**

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. \_

**WHEREAS**, the National Hurricane center advises that Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ will likely strike the coast of South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the force of Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ is projected to be a category 4 or greater; and the force of Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ represents an imminent threat to the safety, security, and welfare to the residents and patients of coastal health care facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, a State of Emergency has been declared in South Carolina pursuant to Executive Order \_\_\_\_\_; and

**WHEREAS**, I am authorized pursuant to Section 25-1-440 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, as the elected Chief Executive of the State "to direct and compel evacuation of all or part of the populace from any stricken or threatened area if this action is deemed necessary for the preservation of life or other disaster mitigation, response, or recovery"; and

**WHEREAS**, I have determined that evacuation of health care facilities is necessary for the preservation of life in and surrounding the threatened area.

**NOW THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as the Governor pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, I do hereby order a mandatory evacuation of all hospitals, inpatient hospices, nursing homes, and residential care facilities (also called assisted living facilities) licensed by the Department of Health and Environmental Control and located \_\_\_\_\_. This evacuation order is effective \_\_\_\_\_ AM(PM) \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF MONTH, YEAR.

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE

**EXAMPLE SELECTIVELY RESCINDING MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDER**  
**State of South Carolina**



**Executive Department**

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. \_

**WHEREAS**, effective Month, Day, Year the undersigned ordered a mandatory evacuation in Executive Order \_\_\_\_\_ of persons in \_\_\_\_\_ county / counties because of the imminent danger posed by Hurricane \_\_\_\_\_; and

**WHEREAS**, conditions now exist which justify the rescission of the mandatory evacuation order and allow re-entry of persons into \_\_\_\_\_ county/counties, and/or within selected areas (noted below). However, damaged areas as identified by local officials in these areas may be restricted to insure the safety of their citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby order that persons affected by the mandatory evacuation order set forth in Executive Order \_\_\_\_\_ be allowed to return to all areas of \_\_\_\_\_ county/counties, except as noted below, or as identified by local officials as necessary to insure the safety of their citizens, and declare that the mandatory evacuation provisions of Executive Order \_\_\_\_\_ are hereby rescinded for \_\_\_\_\_ county/counties effective at \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm on Month, Day, Year.

*(List counties/areas excluded from rescission)*

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF MONTH, YEAR.

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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