



National Emergency Management Organization

“Preserving Life and Property”

ADVISORY NO. 3 HURRICANE BERYL

As at 6:00 AM, WEDNESDAY, 3RD JULY, 2024

The National Meteorological Service of Belize and the National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO) hereby inform the general public that at 6:00 a.m. (local time) Hurricane Beryl was located near latitude 16.9N, longitude 75.3W or about 858 miles East of Belize City. Beryl was moving to the west-northwest at 20 mph with maximum sustained winds of 145 mph and a minimum central pressure of 952 mb. Beryl will continue on a general west-northwest track today and turn more toward the west tonight or Thursday. On the forecast track, the center of Beryl will move rapidly across the central Caribbean Sea and is forecast to pass near or over Jamaica later today. The center is expected to pass near or over the Cayman Islands tonight or early Thursday and move over the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico early Friday.



This system may bring moderate to heavy rainfall, mainly to the northern parts of the country starting on Thursday night and continuing through Friday with total amounts of 2-4 inches and locally higher values. This may result in flooding across low-lying and flood prone areas of the country, especially over the North, as the ground is already saturated. Strong gusty winds will result in very rough sea conditions with large battering waves. A Tropical Storm Watch remains in effect from Belize City to Corozal, including the islands of Ambergris Caye and Caye Caulker.

NEMO continues to advise the general public to:

1. Put your family/emergency plan into action, check your emergency food, water and medical supplies. Check on the elderly and people with disability.
2. Make early preparations to leave high risk areas; voluntarily relocate to safe location if you live in a low-lying area-vulnerable coastal community in the northern districts and the Cayes. Know which shelter you will go to.

3. Shelters have been identified in the Corozal District, Orange Walk District and San Pedro Town. These will open if required.
4. Municipalities and the public are advised to clear drains to reduce flooding.
5. Interests in the agriculture sector are asked to continue preparations. Fisherfolk are also asked to continue securing assets in anticipation of rough sea conditions. Interests in the tourism sector are asked to keep visitors and guests informed of the status of Hurricane Beryl.

Residents are advised to continue monitoring this system very closely and to follow official information coming from NEMO and the Met Service. Countrywide, all NEMO district emergency operations centers remain activated.

NEMO's emergency hotline is 936 (contact information for all NEMO Offices is attached). Stay alert, be prepared. Stay tuned for the National Met Service weather bulletins and the NEMO advisories.

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