

Weather can change in a moment's notice here in the Northeast, and it only takes one hurricane to cause a disaster. The spring thus far has been relatively mild, but the expected arrival of a very active 2010 Atlantic Hurricane Season could create some increased exposure.

According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), current oceanic and atmospheric conditions indicate we will have an **85%** chance of an **above normal** 2010 Atlantic hurricane season.

The NOAA has also predicted that there will be:

- **14-23 Named Storms** (sustained winds greater than 38 mph)
- **8-14 Hurricanes** (sustained winds 74 mph & greater)
- **3-7 Major Hurricanes** (sustained winds 111 mph & greater)



This hurricane season is expected to peak in September, and if the 2010 activity reaches the upper ends of the predicted ranges, it will be **one of the most active seasons on record**. Regardless of the activity predicted in the seasonal outlook, coastal exposed risks should always prepare for the hurricane season every year.

It only takes one system making landfall to make this a very active season for you.

Now is a good time to revisit the pre-storm and post-storm activities you have in your Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for your business and your clients'. A suggested EAP is attached.

We remind everyone that according to the
Acadia Agency Contract:
Property coverage in an affected area cannot be bound once a hurricane watch has been announced.

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