

Severe Weather Shopping Guide

Stop by your Key Food Supermarket and stock up on non-perishable, easy-to-prepare foods that require no refrigeration or cooking (in case of power outages). We have provided a recommended list below along with a few non-cook recipes and a list of essential non-food items.

Canned & Packaged Goods

- Canned meats (tuna, chicken, spam, salmon)
- Canned vegetables (beans, corn, carrots, peas)
- Canned soups and stews
- Canned fruits (in juice, not syrup)
- Peanut butter or other nut butters
- Jarred pasta sauce (for quick meals)
- Dry cereal or granola
- Oatmeal (instant packets)
- Rice cakes or crackers
- Nuts and trail mix
- Protein or energy bars

Dry Staples

- Pasta, rice, and quinoa
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Boxed milk (shelf-stable) or powdered milk
- Bread (or tortillas, which last longer)
- Pancake mix (just add water)

Snacks & Comfort Foods

- Dried fruit (raisins, apricots, mango)
- Jerky (beef, turkey, or plant-based)
- Popcorn (pre-popped or microwaveable)
- Chocolate or candy (for morale)
- Instant coffee, tea bags, or drink mixes

Other Food Essentials

- Bottled water (1 gallon per person per day, for at least 3 days)
- Baby food/formula (if applicable)
- Pet food (if applicable)

Here are a few no-cook recipes

Hurricane Tuna & Bean Salad

A protein-packed, no-cook meal using shelf-stable ingredients

Ingredients

- 1 can tuna (in water or oil, drained)
- 1 can beans (black, kidney, or garbanzo), drained & rinsed
- 1 handful crackers or rice cakes (crushed for texture)

- 2 tbsp peanut butter (or sub mayo from a squeeze bottle if available)
- 1 tbsp mustard (from a packet or small bottle)
- ½ tsp dried herbs (if you have any, like garlic powder or paprika)
- Salt & pepper (to taste)
- Optional: canned corn, diced canned veggies, or hot sauce

Instructions

- 1. In a bowl, mix the drained tuna and beans.
- 2. Add peanut butter (for creaminess and protein) and mustard (for tang). Stir well.
- 3. Crush crackers or rice cakes and mix in for crunch.
- 4. Season with spices if available.
- 5. Serve as-is or spread on tortillas for a wrap.

Variations:

- Spicy Version: Add hot sauce or canned diced chilies.
- Sweet Version: Mix in a handful of raisins or dried fruit.
- Extra Veggies: Toss in canned corn or carrots.

Hurricane Pancake Snack

If you have a camp stove or gas grill, this is a warm option.

Ingredients

- 1 cup pancake mix (just-add-water kind)
- ¾ cup shelf-stable milk or water
- 1 tbsp peanut butter (for extra protein)
- Optional: canned fruit (drained) or trail mix for topping

Instructions

- 1. Mix pancake mix, liquid, and peanut butter until smooth.
- 2. Cook on a greased pan (over a grill or camp stove if possible).
- 3. Top with canned fruit or a sprinkle of trail mix for energy.

No Electricity Trail Mix

For quick energy during cleanup or evacuation

Ingredients

- 1 cup nuts (from your stash)
- ½ cup dried fruit
- ½ cup crackers or cereal
- Optional: chocolate chips or candy for morale

Mix & store in a ziplock bag!

Other Essential Items to Have During a Hurricane

Emergency Supplies

- Flashlights (with extra batteries)
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
- Portable phone charger or power bank
- First aid kit (bandages, antiseptic, medications)
- Manual can opener
- Disposable plates, cups, and utensils

- Waterproof matches or lighter
- Fire extinguisher

Safety & Comfort

- Extra blankets or sleeping bags
- Rain gear and sturdy shoes
- Whistle (to signal for help)
- Personal hygiene items (toilet paper, wet wipes, hand sanitizer)
- Plastic tarps and duct tape (for emergency repairs)

Important Documents

- Copies of IDs, insurance policies, and medical records (in a waterproof bag)
- Emergency contact list (written down)
- Cash (ATMs may not work during power outages)

Optional but Helpful

- Books, cards, or games (for entertainment)
- Cooler with ice packs (for perishables if power is intermittent)
- Multi-tool or Swiss Army knife

Stay Safe!

Ensure you have enough supplies for at least 3 days, but ideally for a week. Check expiration dates and replace items as needed.