

# **Tropical Storm Jerry**INFORMATION NOTE No. 1

AS AT 8:00 PM (AST) ON October 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

## Regional Preparedness For Tropical Storm Jerry

TROPICAL STORM WATCHES ARE IN EFFECT FOR: ANGUILLA, ANTIGUA & BARBUDA, MONTSERRAT, SINT MAARTEN, ST.KITTS & NEVIS.

**LOCATION: 14.9N, 55.4W** 

ABOUT 560 MI / (900 KM), ESE OF THE NORTHERN LEEWARD ISLANDS

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS: 65 MPH

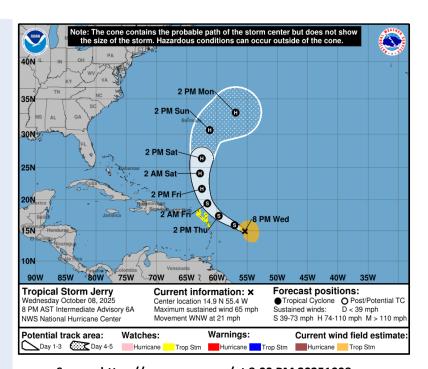
(105 KM/H)

MIN CENTRAL PRESSURE: 999 MB

(29.5 INCHES)

PRESENT MOVEMENT: WNW OR 285

DEGREES AT 21 MPH (33 KM/H)



Source: https://www.noaa.gov/at 8:00 PM 20251008

## **National Hurricane Centre Update (NHC)**

Tropical Storm Jerry remains a sheared but solid system with an estimated central pressure near 999 mb, moving west-northwest at about 21 mph. This general motion is expected to continue through Thursday. A northwestward motion at a slower forward speed should begin Thursday night, followed by a northward motion Friday night into Saturday. On its forecast track, the center of TS Jerry is expected to pass near or to the northeast of the northern Leeward Islands late Thursday and into Thursday night. While vertical wind shear is expected to persist, warm waters and a moist environment could still allow gradual strengthening, and Jerry could approach hurricane intensity by Friday if shear briefly relaxes.

Tropical-storm—force winds extend up to 175 miles (280 km) from the center, with tropical-storm conditions possible across the Leeward Islands late Thursday into Thursday night. Heavy rainfall is expected from Thursday through early Saturday and may cause flash flooding, particularly in areas of steep terrain.

## Caribbean Institute For Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH) Analysis.

Disclaimer: The CIMH provides special weather interpretation of the current and forecasted tropical weather affecting the Caribbean region. CIMH is not an official forecasting agency.

Tropical Storm Jerry has strengthened and is forecast to slow and turn northwest, then north, with effects likely across the Leeward Islands from late Thursday night through Saturday. Gradual intensification is expected over the next few days, and Jerry could reach hurricane strength by the weekend. Heavy rainfall during this period may trigger flash flooding, especially in areas of steep terrain. For the northern CDEMA Participating States, particularly Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, St. Kitts and Nevis, Montserrat, and Sint Maarten, tropical storm conditions are possible from late Thursday into Thursday night.

#### Rainfall Impact Forecast

➤ Approximately 2–4 inches (50–100 mm) of rainfall are forecast across the Leeward Islands from Thursday through early Saturday, with up to 6 inches (150 mm) possible in steep/orographic areas. Given the antecedent saturation from the October 7 tropical wave, flash flooding and landslides are possible. Significant rainfall impacts are likely across the Leeward Islands. Trailing rainbands may extend south of Tropical Storm Jerry's center and affect the northern Windward Islands.

#### **Wind Impact Forecast**

➤ Tropical-storm conditions are possible across the Leeward Islands from late Thursday into early Friday, with sustained winds of 40–60 mph (65–95 km/h) and higher gusts in squalls near the outer bands. There is a medium likelihood of significant wind impacts across the Leeward Islands.

#### **Marine Impact Forecast**

➤ Significant wave heights of 4–6 meters, with rough to very rough seas, dangerous surf, and rip currents, are forecast along northeast-facing shores of the Leeward and northern Windward Islands from Thursday through Friday. The likelihood of significant marine impacts is high for the Leeward Islands and low (but possible) for the northern Windward Islands.

## **Updates from the Threatened Participating States**



#### Report from the Deputy Director - Department of Disaster Management (DDM) in Anguilla

- ➤ A Tropical Storm Watch is in effect as at 5:00 p.m. October 7, 2025. The National Disaster Management Committees have been briefed, placed on ALERT and continue to advance national preparedness actions ahead of the arrival of TS Jerry.
- ➤ Heavy rainfall and flash flooding associated with a tropical wave on October 7 caused power outages in parts of the island overnight; restoration efforts are ongoing. The airport terminal experienced partial flooding and water removal operations are underway.
- ➤ The airport and seaports remain open and operating; however, some ferry services are currently reduced/suspended.

## **Updates from the Threatened Participating States**



#### **ANGUILLA**

#### Report from the Deputy Director - Department of Disaster Management (DDM) in Anguilla cont....

- > The DDM continues surveillance of known land-slippage areas, including the Back Street Road landslide sites.
- Emergency shelters are prepared for activation, with shelter managers on standby as required.
- ➤ The Anguilla Red Cross Society is assisting with the pre-positioning of emergency supplies at the DDM warehouse.
- The DDM's telecommunications network monitoring is currently being supplemented by volunteer support.
- Public information and preparedness awareness campaigns are ongoing, with regular advisories issued to the public.
- ➤ DDM will continue to monitor TS Jerry and advance preparations in collaboration with the national disaster management committees, further updates will follow as needed.



#### ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

#### Report from the Director of the National Office of Disaster Services (NODS)

- ➤ A Tropical Storm Watch is in effect as at 5:00 p.m. October 7, 2025.
- > The Minister and Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Social and Urban Transformation have been briefed on the situation.
- > The National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) has not been activated but members have been contacted, briefed, and placed on ALERT.
- ➤ NODS has activated the national volunteer mechanism, including Shelter Managers, Damage Assessment and Needs Analysis (DANA) teams, and Community Emergency Response Teams (CERTs); personnel have been placed on ALERT.
- ➤ Clearance of waterways with a history of flooding is underway by the Department of Environment, the Central Board of Health, and Public Works.
- > Emergency shelters are not currently open but are prepared to activate if needed.
- ➤ The National Emergency Management Plan (NEMP) and the Social Protection Plan were recently updated; stakeholders stand ready to implement measures as required.
- ➤ Trainings for the Police and Fire Service in emergency operations, and key stakeholders in WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene), were recently completed.
- ➤ In its role as sub-regional focal point, NODS has established contact with the threatened Participating States within the Eastern Sub-region regarding their monitoring and preparedness activities and is prepared to assist where possible with potential response operations.
- ➤ NODS and the Antigua & Barbuda Meteorological Services are coordinating closely and will continue to monitor the system and issue public updates, as necessary.

## **Updates from the Threatened Participating States**



#### **MONTSERRAT**

#### Report from the Director of the Disaster Management Coordination Agency (DMCA)

- > A Tropical Storm Watch is in effect as at 8:00 p.m. October 7, 2025.
- > The Governor has been briefed by the DMCA Director on national preparations for the approaching storm.
- ➤ Communication has been established with NODS (Antigua & Barbuda) in its capacity as the Eastern Sub-Regional focal point.
- > Clearance of main waterways, particularly in known flood-prone areas, is ongoing.
- Emergency shelters are currently closed but fully prepped for activation if required.
- ➤ Risk communication has been amplified across all channels, including social media. The public is advised to review their family emergency plans and take necessary precautions.
- ➤ A coordination meeting is scheduled for October 9 to determine next steps. The DMCA will continue to monitor the system's progress and provide updates, as necessary.



#### SINT MAARTEN

#### Report from the Director of the Office of Disaster Management (ODM)

- ➤ A Tropical Storm Watch is in effect as at 5:00 p.m. October 7, 2025.
- ➤ The National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) is not activated; however, members convened a preparedness meeting today chaired by the Hon. Prime Minister. All Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) provided updates on their respective readiness activities. The NEOC partners remain on alert.
- ➤ The Hon. Prime Minister issued a press release cautioning the public about the risks of flooding and rockslides in vulnerable areas and will provide a further national update on Thursday, October 9, 2025, between 12:00–1:00 PM.
- ➤ Public Works has been clearing waterways nationwide to reduce flood risk.
- ➤ The Office of Disaster Management (ODM) continues to monitor the movement of Tropical Storm Jerry in collaboration with the Meteorological Office and will issue updates, as necessary.



#### ST. KITTS AND NEVIS

#### Report from the Director of the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)

- ➤ A Tropical Storm Watch is in effect as at 8:00 p.m. October 7, 2025.
- ➤ The Hon. Prime Minister and Cabinet were briefed by the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) on Tropical Storm Jerry's forecast track and national preparedness measures.
- ➤ Overnight, a tropical wave produced heavy rain and thunderstorms, causing power outages across western St. Kitts; power restoration began as conditions permitted.
- ➤ Schools were closed today, October 8, 2025, due to the adverse weather associated with the tropical wave.
- ➤ NEMA, in collaboration with the Meteorological Office, continues to monitor the progress of Tropical Storm Jerry and will issue further updates, as necessary.

## **Updates from the CDPG Thematic Working Groups (TWG)**

## **Coordination Thematic Working Group**

- ➤ The CDEMA Executive Director activated the Regional Coordination Plan at 5:00 PM AST, Tuesday, October 7, 2025.
- ➤ The CARICOM Secretary General and the CDEMA Chairman have been briefed by the CDEMA Executive Director on Tropical Storm Jerry's evolving threat profile and on the preparedness posture and standby arrangements of the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM).
- > RRM teams are on ALERT and standing by to support Participating States.
- > Communication is established and maintained with all threatened Participating States and the Sub-Regional Focal Point.
- ➤ The Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG) convened its first meeting for TS Jerry at 1:00 PM AST, October 7 to coordinate and exchange information.
- > The Information Note #1 was published.

## Relief and Logistics Thematic Working Group

- > The Relief and Logistics group remains on standby to provide support where required.
- ➤ The group continues to monitor the development of Tropical Storm Jerry.

## **Health Thematic Working Group**

- Readiness activities are ongoing. Contact has been established with partner agencies in the PSs under threat.
- An assessment of personnel and equipment availability for deployment is underway.

## **Emergency Shelter Thematic Working Group**

- ➤ Coordination meetings with key partners are ongoing and includes partners from the PSs under threat.
- Pre-positioned stocks are available to support impacted States.
- > Partners remain on standby for deployment, as required.

## **Civil-Military Coordination Thematic Working Group**

➤ The Multi-National Caribbean Coordination Cell will convene on October 9, to assess preparations.

## **Protection Thematic Working Group**

- ➤ UNICEF has established contact with child protection focal points in the PSs under threat and has prepositioned supplies for distribution.
- > The Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Specialists have re-confirmed their availability to be deployed as needed.
- ➤ The Caribbean Gender Alliance and CARE International is able to activate protection funding and support if required.

## **Updates from the CDPG Thematic Working Groups (TWG)**

## **Private Sector Thematic Working Group**

> The private sector partners are engaged and remain on alert to support, if required.

## **Early Recovery Thematic Working Group**

> The partners remain in contact and stand ready to support early recovery if needed.

## **Emergency Telecoms Working Group**

- The group is in contact with the Sub-regional Focal Point.
- ➤ 24 HR monitoring of the progress of Tropical Storm Jerry is ongoing.
- ➤ The CARICOM Emergency Telecommunications Team (CETT) and Amateur Radio personnel have been briefed and remain on standby for deployment.
- Telecoms equipment in Barbados and Jamaica, pre-positioned for deployment.
- Partners, including Voda Phone have offered volunteers on standby to assist.

## Water Sanitation & Hygiene Thematic Working Group

- ➤ Partners are monitoring the system and stand ready to provide specialized personnel who can be deployed within 48 to 72 hours to any of the States under threat.
- > Emergency supplies including mass water storage units and mobile water treatment plants have been prepositioned for distribution.

## **Summary**

- ➤ Thanks are extended to all RRM partners for their continued support to regional preparedness, response and recovery.
- ➤ CDEMA, in collaboration with CIMH and the RRM partners, will continue to monitor the progress of Tropical Storm Jerry, maintain communication with threatened Participating States, and issue updates to all partners as needed.