



# Virgin Islands Hurricane Tracking Map

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St. Croix 340-773-2244 St. John 340-776-2244 St. Thomas 340-774-2244

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Remember: Preparedness is 



**V.I. COORDINATES**  
 Coordinates for the Major U.S. Virgin Islands  
 St. Thomas --- 18.3N 65W  
 St. John --- 18.2N 64.5W  
 St. Croix --- 17.7N 64.8W

**STORM CLASSIFICATIONS**

By international agreement, tropical cyclone is the general term for all cyclone circulations originating over tropical waters. Classified by form and intensity as follows:  
**Tropical Disturbance:** A moving area of thunderstorms in the Tropics that maintains its identity for 24-hours or more. A common phenomenon in the Tropics.  
**Tropical Depression:** Rotary circulation at surface, highest constant wind speed 38 miles per hour (33 knots).  
**Tropical Storm:** Distinct rotary circulation, constant wind speed of 39-73 miles per hour or more.  
**Hurricane:** Pronounced rotary circulation, constant wind speed of 74 miles per hour (64 knots) or more.  
**Small Craft Cautionary Statements:** When a tropical cyclone threatens a coastal area, small craft operators are advised to remain in port or not venture into the open sea.

**TRACKING TERMINOLOGY**

**Gale Warnings** may be issued when winds of 39-54 miles per hour (34-47 knots) are expected.  
**Storm Warnings** may be issued when winds of 55-73 miles per hour (48-63 knots) are expected. If a hurricane is expected to strike a coastal area, gale of storm warnings will not usually precede hurricane warnings.  
**Hurricane Warning** is issued when hurricane conditions are expected in a specified coastal area in 24 hours or less. Hurricane conditions include winds of 74 miles per hour (64 knots) and/or dangerously high tides and waves. Actions for protection of life and property should begin immediately when the warning is issued.  
**Flash Flood Watch** means a flash flood is possible in the area; stay alert.  
**Flash Flood Warning** means a flash flood is eminent, take immediate action.

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

USVI Police/Fire/Ambulance	911	WAPA	St. Croix (340) 773-2250
Red Cross	St. Croix (340) 778-5104	WAPA	St. John (340) 776-6446
Red Cross	St. Thomas (340) 774-0375	WAPA	St. Thomas (340) 774-3552
BVI Police/Fire/Ambulance	999	BVI Weather	(284) 469-9000
BVI	(284) 494-3497		

**2023 HURRICANE NAMES**

Arlene	Harold	Ophelia
Bret	Idalia	Philippe
Cindy	Jose	Rina
Don	Katia	Sean
Emily	Lee	Tammy
Franklin	Margot	Vince
Gert	Nigel	Whitney

**2024 HURRICANE NAMES**

Alberto	Helene	Oscar
Beryl	Isaac	Patty
Chris	Joyce	Rafael
Debby	Kirk	Sara
Ernesto	Leslie	Tony
Francine	Milton	Valerie
Gordon	Nadine	William