

NOAA Weather Radios Can Be Found at Numerous Electronic Stores Such As:

Walmart
K-mart
Best Buy
Sears
Target
Radio Shack

Make sure they are SAME compatible!

ONLINE SERVICES AVAILABLE
AT
WWW.CHARLOTTECOUNTYFL.COM/EMERGENCY



The Charlotte Alert notification system is an easy way to receive timely information about Charlotte County news, events, bulletins, newsletters, and more. You can receive information via e-mail and fax.



Locate the storm surge zone/category your home or business is located within Charlotte County.

Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners
Emergency Management Department

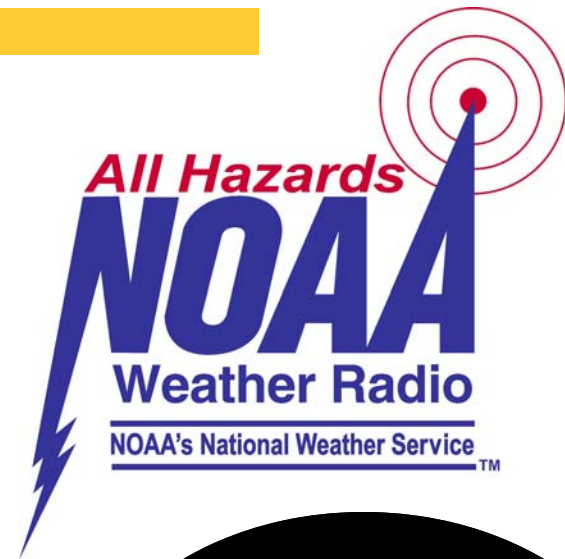
26571 Airport Road
Punta Gorda, FL 33982

Phone: 941-833-4000

Fax: 941-833-4081



Email: emergency.management@charlottefl.com



**Be The First To
Know When
Severe Weather
is Coming Your
Way!**



Since November of 1998, NOAA Weather radio has been delivering 24 hours a day weather information to Charlotte County. Daily forecasts, marine weather, special weather statements and life saving warnings are available whenever you need them. Using inexpensive home receivers, you can receive emergency weather alerts and other non-weather emergency information directed to Charlotte County residents even in the middle of the night when your television and entertainment radios are off. All it takes is a radio, which can decode Specific Area Message Encoded, or SAME bulletins. Be sure your new weather radio is SAME capable.



Consumer electronics stores offer SAME capable radios for under \$40.00. Once the radio is programmed with the Charlotte County code, you'll never miss another severe weather alert.



NOAA Weather Radio for Charlotte County operates on frequencies 162.475 & 162.400 MHz. You will need a seven channel SAME capable radio. Older three-channel radios will not receive the signal properly and **will not** decode the SAME signal! The Charlotte County alert code is:

012015

The information broadcast locally comes directly from the National Weather Service office in Ruskin, and is specifically tailored for Charlotte County. Local forecasts, boating information for the Gulf of Mexico, tropical weather information, hazardous weather updates, watches and warnings, and even a weekly test of your radio will keep you up to date and ready to receive any critical information that may save your life! The Charlotte County Emergency Management office can also send time-critical civil emergency messages (CEM) through the radio.



Hundreds of people a year die across the country because they didn't know severe weather was on the way. Protect yourself and your family; use NOAA Weather Radio as you would a smoke detector. When the alert sounds, you can take immediate action to save your lives.



Note: For residents living near Sarasota (012115) and Lee Counties (012071), you may want to monitor their SAME codes.