Virginia's Hurricane Preparedness May 25-31 Sales Tax Holiday

Get ready to save money! Stock up on supplies for your family's emergency supply kit and to protect your home.

By law, the items listed below are exempt from Virginia sales tax between May 25 and May 31.

\$60 or less

Shop for items in this list that have a sales price of \$60 or less:

- Artificial ice, blue ice, ice packs and reusable ice
- Batteries (excluding automobile or boat batteries)
 o AAA, AA, C and D size
 - o 6- or 9-volt
 - o Cell phone batteries
- Any battery-powered light sources, including flashlights, lanterns and glow sticks -- no candles
- Tarpaulins, plastic sheeting, plastic drop cloths and other flexible waterproof sheeting
- Bungee cords and rope
- Ground anchor systems or tie down kits
- Ratchet straps
- Duct tape
- Carbon monoxide detectors
- Smoke detectors
- Fire extinguishers

- Empty gas, propane or diesel fuel tanks or containers
- Water storage containers, including buckets, barrels, canteen, cans, cooler
- Nonelectric food storage coolers
- Bottled water, any size and number of bottles, including flavored, carbonated and vitamin water
- Manual can openers
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radios (including radios with an electrical power option)
- Two-way radios
- Weather band radios and NOAA Weather Radios
- Storm shutter devices that are made, rated and marketed specifically for the prevention of storm damage to windows -- no plywood
- Cell phone chargers
- First aid kits

\$1,000 or less

Shop for items in this list that have a sales price of \$1,000 or less:

- Portable generators and generator power cords
- Inverters and inverter power cables

Customers can use manufacturer's coupons to lower the price of an item so that it will qualify for the \$60 or \$1,000 price cap.

The Virginia Department of Taxation's Hurricane Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday Guidelines and Rules are available online at www.tax.virginia.gov/salestaxholiday.

For detailed information about how to prepare your family for hurricanes and other emergencies, visit www.ReadyVirginia.gov.

