



Emergency Shelters in Isle of Wight

Please remember that the opening of shelters will be event driven and none or only select shelters may be opened for any given event. Individuals should refer to local media for specific opening information or for more information call Isle of Wight Emergency Services at 365-6308.

Some possible reasons for opening emergency shelters are:

- Long term and/or severe flooding over a large portion of the county
- Hurricane force winds (sometimes from a large nor'easter or tornados)
- Wide spread power outages as a result of severe weather
- A large and dangerous hazardous material event

Isle of Wight County several emergency shelter locations that may be opened on an “as needed” basis. These shelters are emergency shelters for the general population and are designed to keep you safe from a severe emergency event – not long term sheltering. As emergency shelter openings are event driven, **not all shelters may open or may open at the same time. Emergency shelter openings will be announced on local radio and TV stations.**

Primary Shelter

Smithfield Middle School
14175 Turner Drive
Smithfield, VA 23430

Primary Shelter

Windsor High School
24 Church Street
Windsor, VA 23487

Secondary Shelter

Carrollton Elementary School
14440 New Towns Haven Lane
Carrollton, VA 23314

Shelter of Last Resort

Carrsville Elementary School
5355 Carrsville Hwy.
Carrsville, VA 23315

Ideally, an emergency shelter should not be your first or only option for shelter during an emergency. Planning ahead of time to stay with family or friends can help ease the stress that comes during a

disaster. Also, if your family has special needs – medically fragile household members for instance – your planning process needs to include accommodations for those special needs.

If you need to seek shelter in an emergency shelter you should bring items to help you be self-sustaining for at least 3 days:

✓ Bedding items	✓ Photo Identification
✓ Baby items if applicable	✓ Special needs food if applicable
✓ Personal hygiene items	✓ Change of clothing
✓ Medications and other necessary medical supplies and equipment*	✓ Quiet” entertainment such as reading materials and games

*If you have a medical condition and/or take prescription medication please notify the shelter at the time of registration.

The following items are prohibited in Isle of Wight Emergency Shelters:

- ❖ **No firearms or weapons of any kind**
- ❖ **No alcohol, illegal drugs or paraphernalia**
- ❖ **No radios/TVs without earphones**
- ❖ **NO Pets** (only federally recognized service animals are allowed in the emergency shelter). You should make plans for your pet to be housed elsewhere. If you are seeking refuge in an emergency shelter, the County’s Animal Services Division will hold your pet while you are in the shelter if no other alternatives are available.

General shelter guidelines/rules:

- Smoking is NOT permitted inside the shelter at any time.
- No Noisy or disruptive behavior.
- Children are never to be left unattended and parents are responsible for controlling the actions of their children.
- No cellular phones, cameras or recording devices are to be used outside of designated areas.
- You are responsible for your personal property. The shelter authority is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items.
- Destruction of personal or school property will not be allowed.
- Shelter occupants may have food and snack items of their own, but are subject to approval by staff and may be consumed only in designated areas.
- Noise levels should be kept to a minimum at all times
- Everyone needs to be courteous to others

Violation of shelter rules and policy may result in eviction from the shelter or arrest. The shelter manager may add any additional rules, or policies at any time during a shelter operation.