

Typhoon Guide

Kunsan AB



What is a Typhoon?

Typhoons "Know the Terms"

A typhoon, like a hurricane, is formed through a process called Tropical Cyclogenesis. Tropical cyclones feed off of heat which is released when humid air rises off of the ocean's surface into the atmosphere. Typhoons are unique in the aspect that they have a "warm core" whereas other storms have a "cold core" as they feed off cold air. There are various threats associated with typhoons. Typhoon winds can soar to extreme levels which can send debris flying through the air. Storm surges may also become prevalent, raising water levels and further intensifying waves caused by high winds.

Tropical Cyclone Conditions of Readiness (TCCOR) Conditions

- **TCCOR 5** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are possible within 96 hours
- **TCCOR 4** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are possible within 72 hours
- **TCCOR 3** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are possible within 48 hours.
- **TCCOR 2** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are anticipated within 24 hours.
- **TCCOR 1** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are anticipated within 12 hours.
- **TCCOR 1 Caution** - Winds of 35-49 knots sustained are occurring.
- **TCCOR 1 Emergency** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are occurring.
- **TCCOR 1 Recovery** - Winds of 50 knots sustained or greater are no longer forecast to occur. Strong winds may still exist.
- **All Clear** - The storm is over and not forecast to return. Storm damage could present a danger.
- **Storm Watch** - Winds are not forecast to exceed 50 knots sustained but there still exists a probability of high winds due to the proximity of the storm. It is also close enough that a heightened alert status is necessary should the storm deviate from the forecast track.

For information on local TCCOR conditions:

Kunsan's Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/KunsanOfficial/>

Joint Typhoon Warning Center: <http://www.metoc.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>

Call Wolf Pack Straight Talk Line at DSN 782-2653, Korean Cell Phone: 063-470-2653

Listen to AFN Kunsan at 88.5 FM

TYPHOON ACTIONS

TYPHOON: BEFORE ACTIONS

- Bring loose outdoor objects indoors (e.g. bikes)
- Ensure all windows and doors can be closed. If not, contact your facility manager ASAP.
- If you have a window A/C unit, take it out and close the window.
- If your building needs additional sand bags, please contact your facility manager or pick up sand bags from the sand bag filling location
- If your unit has a GOV, please make sure the fuel tank is full prior to 2000 HRS on Wed 22 AUG.
- Ensure you have ample drinkable water with you.
- Charge your electronics, especially your phone, and turn off to preserve battery. Use only when absolutely necessary.
- Turn refrigerator and freezer to coldest settings. Open only when absolutely necessary and close quickly.

Dorm Resident Actions

In preparation for a typhoon, dorm residents should know the location of the sandbag fill point, have Emergency Preparedness Kits stocked and know the base notification/update channels.

- Stay away from places that will likely be inundated by rising water.
- Stay away from hanging wires and unstable structures.
- Report facility damage or utility outages by notifying your ADL
- Debris clean-up in and around facilities is the facility occupant's responsibility (out to 150 feet or centerline of road – whichever is closest).
- DO NOT begin debris clean-up until the All Clear notification has been given by leadership.
- Contact CE Customer Service for additional information: 782-4272.

Recommended Emergency Kit Items

- Water (one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days)
- Non-perishable foods (at least three days' worth)
- Battery powered radio with extra batteries
- Cell phone with charger
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Hygiene products
- Can opener (for canned goods)
- Towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation

Update Installation Warning System (AtHoc) - In order to receive notifications using AtHoc, follow steps: Right click on the purple globe located in your bottom right task bar of your work computer.

- Choose "Access Self Service".
- Go to "My Profile" tab and click "Edit" in the top right hand corner.
- Under "Basic Info," enter your user information. At a minimum, you should have your work phone, mobile phone and text messaging (Member) populated; the last two fields will be where you add your government cell phone number (if applicable). It is highly recommend you add your dependents' numbers and a personal email address as well.

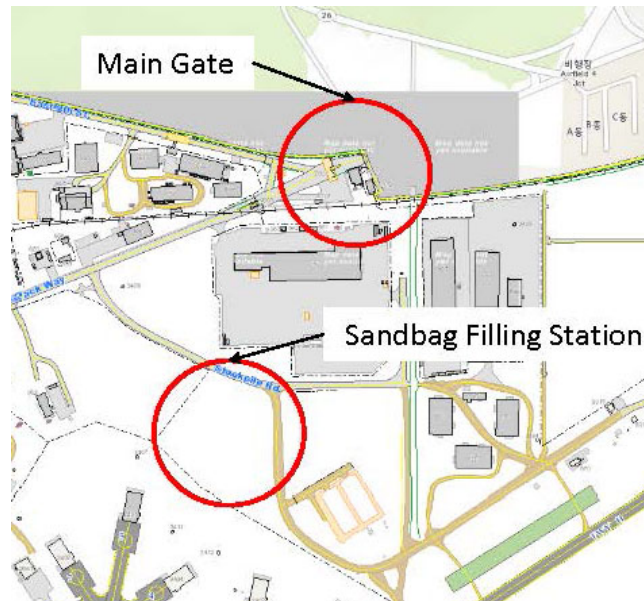
NOTE: Ensure you follow the format for the mobile phone numbers provided below the box. For example, 011+8210+last eight digits of number; 09012345678 becomes 0118821012345678.

- Click "Accept as is."
- Click save and close.

Kunsan Facility Manager Actions

Facility Managers are responsible for the preparedness of all facilities under their control. In preparation for a typhoon:

- Facility managers up sandbags at the location shown below
- Pick up loose items within 150' of facilities (safety cones, unsecured signs, wooden crates, tires, picnic tables, smoke pits, BBQs, bicycles, mopeds, volleyball nets, etc)
- Place all trash into dumpsters and ensure lids are closed
- Fuel all GOVs (easy to accomplish on night shift)
- Compact and park all GOVs near facilities
- Call in work orders immediately if any doors or windows cannot be secured
- Contact CE Customer Service for additional information 782-4272 / 5315



TYPHOON: DURING ACTIONS

- Stay inside and away from windows, skylights and glass doors. Go into an interior room.
- Keep curtains and blinds closed.
- Do not go outside.
- Stay tuned to base communication channels/venues

TYPHOON: RESPONSE

Use Caution After the storm

Be aware that there may be glass, debris, power lines, fires, and potentially harmful items displaced from the typhoon. You should not leave your safe area until notified by authorities that it is safe to do so. You must allow recovery personnel to do their job safely and efficiently. When unauthorized personnel are out roaming the streets and taking in the damage, they endanger both themselves and the recovery crews. Please stay put until told to leave, unless you have an emergency. When you are finally authorized to leave your safe area, use extreme caution. Check the area around your quarters, and help your neighbors as well. Base recovery crews check these areas, but it is always a good idea to double check just in case something was overlooked.

Report all building damage and utility outages as soon as possible to the CES UCC and CES Customer Service. Their DSN is 782-5315.

Filing a Claim for Damage

If you have private insurance, you must first file with your insurance company. If you suffered loss or damage to your personal property due to a typhoon, you can file a claim if:

- You are an active duty member, a reservist on active duty, or a civilian Employee of the Department of Defense and you are not considered a local inhabitant of the area.
- The property was located in your assigned or authorized quarters or, located on base when it was damaged.
- Contact the 8th Fighter Wing Legal Office at 782-4283.

Kunsan Air Base Emergency Numbers

Off Base Emergency Number Dial 1-1-9

On Base Emergency (DSN) Dial 9-1-1

From a Cell: 063-470-0911

Unit	DSN
Security Forces BDOC	782-4944
Fire Dispatch	782-4471
Command Post	782-6000
Emergency Management	782-4852 / 4849
CE Customer Service	782-4272 / 5315
CE Housing Management	782-7108
SARC	782-7272
Legal Office	782-4283
Chapel	782-4673
Kunsan Straight Talk Line	782-2653

On base medical facilities are currently closed, except for medical emergencies (loss of life, limb, or eyesight). Please call the emergency line at: DSN: 911 or Cell phone: 063-470-0911

Report all non-emergency fire issues (e.g. alarm panel beeping) to Fire Dispatch: DSN: 782-4471 or cell phone: 010-6496-2042

If unable to reach emergency services via 911, five alternate numbers are available to reach dispatch:

010-6496-2042

010-9191-6983

010-9191-2870

010-6496-2045

010-9191-5769

Online Resources

Kunsan Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/KunsanOfficial/>

Listen to AFN – <http://afn360.afnpacific.net/AudioPlayer.html>

Joint Typhoon Warning Center - <http://www.metoc.navy.mil/jtwc/jtwc.html>

Hurricanes/Typhoon - <https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes>

Tornadoes - <https://www.ready.gov/tornadoes>

Flooding - <https://www.ready.gov/floods>

Air Force Claims - https://claims.jag.af.mil/no_insur.php

Air Force Be Ready - <http://www.beready.af.mil/>

Kunsan Weather Sharepoint - <https://kunsan.eis.pacaf.af.mil/8OG/8OSS/Weather/SitePages/Home.aspx>