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Guam to Move to COR 4 at 6 p.m., Sunday, October 18, 2026; STAY OUT OF THE WATER

Governor Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero will place Guam in Condition of Readiness (COR) 4 at 6 p.m. this evening, October 18, 2026.

Stay out of the water. The transition to COR 4 does not mean coastal conditions are safe. Remain cautious as Guam begins its recovery.

Life-threatening surf, coastal flooding, and dangerous rip currents associated with Super Typhoon Champi are expected through early Monday morning.

- Stay out of the ocean, including swimming, surfing, snorkeling, and diving.
- Stay away from beaches, shorelines, reefs, and coastal structures where waves can sweep people into the water, particularly along south- and east-facing reefs and beaches.
- Avoid flooded coastal roads and flooded areas

Joint Region Marianas (JRM) and its installations have returned to Tropical Cyclone Condition of Readiness (TCCOR) 4 (All Clear), also at 6 p.m., following initial post-storm damage assessments and recovery efforts.

The transition to TCCOR 4 allows military installations to resume normal operations and restore access for authorized personnel. Some installation facilities and services may require additional time to reopen based on storm impacts and operational requirements. Personnel and patrons are encouraged to monitor their respective installations' official communication channels for updates on facility availability, operating hours and services.

Commanders across the region are encouraged to provide flexibility for service members and civilian personnel as they and their families recover from the storm, including consideration of liberal leave and liberty for those experiencing childcare challenges, when operational requirements permit.

GDOE Schools Closed Tomorrow (Monday)
The Guam Department of Education has closed all public schools for tomorrow, Monday October 19.

Catholic Schools Closed Tomorrow (Monday)
The Archdiocese of Agaña has closed all Catholic schools for tomorrow, Monday October 19.

GCC Closed On Tomorrow (Monday)
Guam Community College will remain closed on Monday, October 18, 2026. A campus safety assessment will be completed after COR4 is declared. All classes, bootcamps, and testing remain canceled until the campus is cleared to reopen and an official announcement is issued.

UOG Classes Cancelled Tomorrow (Monday)
The University of Guam will not hold classes on Monday, October 18, 2026. Officials will begin a campus assessment after COR4 is declared. UOG will announce when classes resume.

GPA Update
As power restoration continues following Super Typhoon Champi, residents may experience power fluctuations and intermittent outages, even after electricity has been restored. The island-wide power system may remain unstable until full restoration is completed.
Residents are advised to:

- Unplug or protect sensitive electronic equipment from potential power surges.
- Turn off the main breaker if experiencing brownouts, partial power, unusually bright lights, dimming or flickering lights, or water coming from electrical outlets.

For non-emergency power issues, including damaged weather heads, internal electrical damage requiring Emergency Work Clearances, or restoration inquiries, contact the Guam Power Authority (GPA) Customer Call Center, available 24/7 during recovery, at (671) 647-5787/8/9, email customersfirst@gpagwa.com, or message GPA through its official Facebook page.

For power-related emergencies, call GPA's 24-hour Trouble Dispatch at (671) 475-1472/3/4. Provide the exact location, contact information, and a description of the situation.

For the latest updates, visit https://www.guampowerauthority.com/ and select the Typhoon Champi Updates banner.

GWA Update
Storm damage assessments are under way and water restoration efforts will follow. The Guam Waterworks Authority (GWA) and GPA continue coordination to place production wells, booster pump stations, wastewater treatment plants and sewer pump stations back on the island-wide power system (IWPS). Water distribution and production crews are working 12-hour shifts to complete recovery efforts.

As of 2:30 p.m., 78 production wells are online – with 75 on generator and 3 on IWPS. 17 of 31 water booster pump stations are online. The Ugum Surface Water Treatment Plant was placed back online at 1:25 p.m. as turbidity levels in the Ugum River reached acceptable operational limits. As of 4:45 p.m., the Tumon Maui Well was placed back online on the IWPS.

The GWA dispatch office has received reports of low to no water pressure in parts of Cañåda Barrigada, Pago Bay, Malesso', Malojloj, Mangilao, Latte Heights and Yona. As service pressure is restored, instances of low to no water pressure may occur as GWA performs system adjustments at wells, pump stations, and reservoirs in response to power loss, power fluctuations, refueling, or generator servicing. Reports of sewer overflows have been received and are actively being resolved.

Water Tankers Deployed
GWA is preparing water tankers and flextanks for deployment in areas experiencing low to no water pressure. As of 5 p.m., three (3) water tankers have been staged:

- Mangilao: Santa Teresita Catholic Church
- Dededo: Chalan Palauan
- Malojloj: Malojloj reservoir

A tanker is scheduled to be deployed to Jesus Cruz Street in Barrigada later this evening. Additional tankers and flextanks will be staged in other parts of the island and official notification will be sent to the public. Residents are advised to bring their own containers to store and haul water.

Special Water Conservation Urged
GWA is seeking voluntary compliance from homes and business establishments across the island to practice water conservation. As GWA crews work to maintain reservoir levels and restore system pressure, the community is advised to conserve water, consume water for essential purposes only and refrain from washing vehicles and pressure washing activities. Special conservation measures are critically important to complete recovery efforts.

In accordance with 28 GAR §2103(i): Whenever, in the opinion of GWA and in the interest of the public, special conservation measures are advisable in order to forestall water shortage and a consequent emergency, GWA may restrict the use of water by any reasonable method of control.

GWA inspectors will be visiting homes and businesses to seek voluntary compliance with special water conservation measures until all zones in the distribution system have been fully pressurized. Conservation measures will be lifted once the distribution system is stable.

The community may contact GWA dispatch to report water and wastewater emergencies by calling 671-646-4211 or by emailing dispatch@guamwaterworks.org.

GFD Post-Typhoon Safety Reminders
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- Wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes or boots when cleaning debris.
- Use protective gloves when handling sharp objects, branches, and damaged materials.
- Wear safety glasses or goggles to protect against flying debris.
- Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts to protect against cuts and scratches.

Generator Safety

- NEVER operate generators indoors, including garages, even with doors or windows open.
- Keep generators at least 20 feet away from doors, windows, and ventilation openings.
- Position generator exhaust away from occupied buildings.
- Never connect a generator directly to household wiring without a properly installed transfer switch.
- Keep generators dry and protected from rain and standing water.
- Turn off generators and allow them to cool before refueling/storing
- Store gasoline in approved containers away from heat sources.
- Never overload generators or use damaged extension cords.
- If experiencing headaches, dizziness, nausea, or weakness, immediately move to fresh air and call 911.

General Cleanup Safety

- Stay away from downed power lines. Always assume they are energized.
- Avoid walking or driving through flooded areas.
- Do not enter damaged or structurally unstable buildings.
- Exercise caution when removing fallen trees and large debris.
- Never attempt to remove trees or branches touching electrical lines.
- Use chainsaws and power tools only with proper training and protective equipment.

- Watch for exposed nails, broken glass, sharp metal, and other hazardous materials.
- Stay hydrated and take frequent breaks to prevent exhaustion.
- Keep children and pets away from cleanup areas.
- Use flashlights instead of candles during power outages to reduce fire risks.
- Check electrical appliances and outlets for water damage before restoring power.

For emergencies, call 911.

Guam International Airport Authority
Travellers are encouraged to communicate directly with their respective airlines and download their mobile airline apps to monitor their latest flight status.

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline
The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) Suicide & Crisis Lifeline remains operational 24/7. The community may call or text 988 or chat online at 988lifeline.org.

JIC WhatsApp Channel
Follow the official JIC WhatsApp Channel for verified emergency updates, public advisories, COR announcements, weather warnings, and government service updates. Turn on notifications to receive the latest information. JIC WhatsApp Channel: https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029Vb8hjLbLY6d6Niqfm52k

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