

# EXPLORE Puerto Rico

## EARTHQUAKE SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS



### Why?

Puerto Rico is located in a seismically active zone where strong earthquakes have occurred in the past.



**DROP!**



**COVER!**



**HOLD ON!**



### What is an earthquake?

An earthquake is a sudden shake in which energy that's been accumulated in the Earth's crust or in the upper mantle is released.

### What can we do?

1. Upon arrival to your destination review your response plan and make note of your emergency contacts' phone numbers.
2. Notify any special assistance you or your companions may need in case of an emergency.
3. Look for the emergency exits, evacuation routes, and assembly points of the places you will be visiting or frequenting, including your place of stay.
4. Identify structural and non-structural hazards in the places you'll be enjoying. For example: lamps, glass, façades, etc.
5. Protect yourself during the earthquake. Drop, cover, and hold on. If you are outdoors, stay outside. If driving, stop on the shoulder and park the car. Pay attention to official alerts.
6. After the earthquake go to the agreed upon assembly area to reunite with your companions. If you are in your place of stay, follow staff instructions. Stay alert, as replicas may follow. Strong earthquakes can cause tsunamis, so move away from the shore towards high grounds or to the nearest assembly area identified on your tsunami evacuation map.
7. Pay attention. Tune in to official local news.



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