

Weather



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MENA Tactical: Inclement weather warnings issued in Saudi Arabia, Oman, UAE for March 24; remain cognizant of authorities' updates

Current Situation:

- Inclement weather warnings were issued across several Gulf countries, including Saudi Arabia, Oman, and the UAE, for March 24.
 - In **Saudi Arabia**, the National Center of Meteorology (NCM) issued a red alert for heavy rainfall in the **Riyadh region** until 12:00 (local time), with associated impacts including high-speed winds, reduced horizontal visibility, hail, flash floods, and thunderstorms.
 - In the **UAE**, the Ministry of Interior advised residents to exercise caution and avoid ponds and fast-moving streams due to adverse weather conditions affecting the country.
 - In **Oman**, the meteorological service warned of heavy thunderstorms with varying rainfall intensity, primarily affecting al-Dhahirah, al-Buraimi, al-Wusta, al-Dakhiliyah, South and North al-Batinah, and **Muscat**, with possible extension to North and South al-Sharqiyah and Dhofar.

Source: [Saudi Arabia](#), [Oman](#), [UAE](#)

Recommendations:

1. Those operating or residing in Saudi Arabia, Oman, and the UAE on March 24 and over the coming days are advised to remain cognizant of authorities' updates regarding inclement weather conditions.
2. Decrease speed and practice extra vigilance when driving, including turning on emergency lights to project your position, due to the reduced visibility. Be aware that other drivers may not drive with caution, and the risk of traffic accidents is higher.
3. Allot for disruptions to vehicular traffic and remain cognizant of further updates by authorities.
4. In case of flood warnings, immediately evacuate to higher ground. Once the higher ground has been reached, do not attempt to evacuate the wider region alone, and seek professional help with evacuations.
5. Do not walk or drive through flood waters.