

# **FAQ: Lightning and Severe Weather Procedures**

### **Lightning Safety Procedures**

### 1. What happens when lightning is detected?

- When cloud-to-ground lightning is detected within a 10-mile radius of the Island Club:
  - A 15-second horn blast will sound, and the yellow flashing light on the Tiki Hut will activate.
  - The pool, pool area, tiki bar, beach area, and watersport equipment must be vacated immediately.

# 2. When can normal operations resume?

- The **all-clear** will be signaled by **three shorter 5-second horn blasts** and the deactivation of the yellow flashing light.
- Normal operations can resume when no lightning is detected within a 10-mile radius for 30 minutes.

### **Watersport Equipment Guidelines**

#### 3. What should I do if I hear thunder while using lake equipment?

• Return to the **Outrigger** immediately, regardless of the storm's direction or proximity. Remember: **"If you hear it, fear it!"** 

#### 4. Can I use paddle sports equipment during high-probability storm conditions?

• Paddle sports users may be required to stay close to the Outrigger, **Thunder Cove**, and Duffy boats in the main lake (Clubhouse side of the bridge).

#### **Understanding Severe Thunderstorm Dangers**

# 5. What are the dangers of severe thunderstorms?

- Cloud-to-ground lightning
- Tornadoes
- Large hail
- Straight-line winds exceeding 45 mph
- Flash flooding
- Ponding on roadways
- Limited visibility

# **Lightning Safety Tips**

#### 6. Where is it safe during a thunderstorm?

- No place outside is safe during a thunderstorm. Move to:
  - · A substantial building with electricity or plumbing.
  - An enclosed metal-topped vehicle with the windows up.

#### 7. How long should I wait before returning outside?

• Stay in a safe shelter for at least 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder.

# **Visual Clues of Thunderstorm Movement**

# 8. How can I tell the direction of a storm?

• The **anvil-shaped top** of the cloud often stretches in the direction of upper-level winds, indicating the storm's travel path.

By following these guidelines, you can ensure your safety and the safety of others during severe weather conditions.

For further clarification or to report concerns, please get in touch with Naples Reserve Property Management.