



# **HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS GUIDE**

**Florida Hurricane Season**  
**June 1 – November 30**



# INTRODUCTION



Living in Florida offers beautiful coastlines, year-round sunshine, and—from June through November—the very real possibility of hurricanes. Preparing early can make all the difference when storms threaten your safety, home, or business.

This guide is designed to help you navigate every phase of hurricane season—from the first watch alert to post-storm recovery. You'll find practical checklists, safety tips, and essential resources tailored to Florida residents. Think of it as your go-to manual for staying informed, protecting your property, and keeping your family safe. Let's get prepared—the right way.



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When a storm is on the horizon, preparation is everything. That's why we've gathered the most important guidelines into one place—so when the winds pick up, you're not just ready, you're hurricane-proof.





Being ready for a hurricane means preparing to go without electricity, water, gas, internet, and cell service for at least a week—and being ready to leave everything behind if necessary. A well-organized checklist helps ensure nothing important is forgotten.

When fear begins to rise as the storm approaches, these lists offer a moment of focused clarity in the chaos.





## CLOTHING

- ☐ Rain Gear
- ☐ Change of clothes
- ☐ Sneakers or rain boots

## MISCELLANEOUS

- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Credit Cards
- ☐ Games - Books - Toys
- ☐ Whistle
- ☐ Identification Card
- ☐ Blankets/sleeping bag
- ☐ Gallon zip-lock bags



## COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS

- ☐ Cellphones, chargers and cords
- ☐ Radio (Battery, solar, or hand-crank)
- ☐ Extra batteries
- ☐ Portable power bank
- ☐ Flashlights or Headlamps
- ☐ Fans (Battery-operated)
- ☐ Lanterns
- ☐ Laptop





## FOOD & WATER

- ☐ Bottled water - 1 gallon per person, for 5-7 days
- ☐ Water purification tablets or filtration device, such as Lifestraw
- ☐ Canned or shelf-stable foods
- ☐ Manual can opener
- ☐ Disposable plates, bowls, cups, utensils
- ☐ Grill, propane or camp stove.
- ☐ Grilling utensils, such as tongs, ladle, potholders



- freezer cold for 3  
r cube ice





# IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

- ☐ Drivers license/vehicle registration
- ☐ Health insurance cards
- ☐ Social Security Cards
- ☐ Passports
- ☐ Birth, marriage certificates.  
wills
- ☐ Home inventory [\\*see how-to video](#)
- ☐ Insurance policies (home, car, life)
- ☐ Titles/deeds to home, car, etc.
- ☐ Bank account information
- ☐ Your family disaster plan



# MEDICAL SUPPLIES

- ☐ Medications\* (prescription & over the counter)
- ☐ First-aid kit
- ☐ Insect repellent
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Hearing aids/batteries
- ☐ Glasses
- ☐ Mobility aids, such as canes, walkers, etc.

\*Once a hurricane warning or state of emergency has been issued in Florida, you can get early prescription refills.



# PERSONAL HYGIENE

- ☐ Tooth brush, tooth paste
- ☐ Toilet paper/wipes
- ☐ Soap, hand sanitizer
- ☐ Deodorant
- ☐ Shampoo/conditioner
- ☐ Feminine hygiene products
- ☐ Diapers
- ☐ Trash bags, zip-lock plastic bags

