





# Hurricane Guide2024





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Dear Resident,

orecasters have predicted that this year's Atlantic Hurricane Season will likely bring fewer storms than the average year. This will offer the Coastal locales a potential respite after a costly 2022 season. Forecasters, however, have cautioned that the forecast is less certain than usual because it is complicated by El Niño. Nonetheless, the time to get ready is now.

Allied Property Group put together this guide to ensure that residents in our communities are aware of what you need to do in case of a storm and understand how the Association will also prepare your community. This report has also been written to help you take precautions to protect your family and property. Please take a moment to read this very important information.

Your Association would like to ensure that all unit owners receive as much information as possible to aid in the preparation for an upcoming Hurricane Season. The following links will aid you in those preparations:



South Florida television station websites also include hurricane preparedness links.

We recommend that you implement as many precautions as practical in advance, such as preparing a Hurricane Emergency Plan for your family and putting together a Hurricane Kit. This guide will provide you with helpful hints and a checklist you can use to ensure you don't forget anything.

Specific instructions will be provided to you by **Allied** and/or your Board of Directors when there is a weather event forecast to hit your area within a week.

Typically, at the time of a "Hurricane Watch" management and its personnel will begin to secure the association's common areas. All personnel – Manager, maintenance, and administrative assistants will work maintaining the association common areas. When a Hurricane Warning has been issued and the hurricane remains an imminent threat, the essential personnel will shut down the property's equipment such as clubhouse, pool/spa equipment, irrigation pumps and make sure that the Association's ornamental landscaping has been secured and/or removed. This will help assure your systems will be operational after weather conditions return to normal and power has been restored. After the shut down has been completed, our essential personnel will evacuate in the same manner and time frame that all governmental essential services do.

Please make arrangements in advance as to where you will stay during an evacuation. Remember that pets are not allowed in all evacuation centers. Contact your assigned evacuation center in advance to pre-register and make plans for you and your pets.

#### LEAVING TOWN FOR ANY LENGTH OF TIME DURING HURRICANE SEASON?

**BEFORE YOU GO:** Remove all balcony/patio furniture, plants, loose objects and assign a nearby relative or friend to close the shutters. In the event of a storm, do not rely on the association's staff to make preparations for your individual home; their time will be dedicated to securing the community's common areas.

#### PLAN TO EVACUATE

**MOST IMPORTANT:** Check to see if your community is located in an evacuation zone. When an evacuation order is issued, EVERYONE must evacuate the community and go to your community's assigned shelter. An evacuation area is no place to be during a hurricane. Employees and residents are ALL expected to evacuate. There will be no emergency services during a storm, and authorities will not be available to help you. At the time a call for evacuation has been issued, the Association employees will conclude the procedures to prepare the community common areas for the storm and leave. Once an evacuation order is given, you should be packed and prepared to leave.

Your city officials advise the elderly or handicapped residents not to wait for the official evacuation order. Please leave early.

#### **AFTER THE HURRICANE**

All essential personnel will return to your property as soon as physically possible after an all clear has been issued by governmental authorities.

Please be prepared. If you have any questions, please visit our website **www.alliedpropertygroup.net**.







### Be Prepared... Stay Informed

### IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY IN YOUR AREA, BE READY TO:

- Activate your emergency plan.
- Locate your emergency supply kit(s) and have one for each family member. Please do not forget your pet(s) when putting together an emergency kit.
- For those who have children, put together one with toys, games and stuff animals, as well baby formula, diapers and wipes.
- Kits should be made of what can be used to sustain you for at least two weeks.
- You should prepare a kit with all your important papers such as Birth Certificates, Passports, Insurance Policies. This is just a few items to get you started on putting together this kit.



Follow local alerts on the radio, television, Internet and other warning systems that may be issued by the emergency broadcasting system in your area.





#### IF YOU STAY

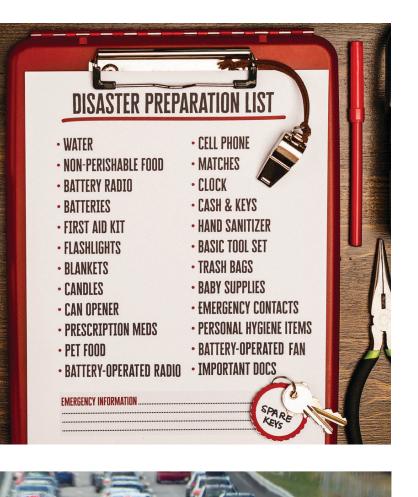
- Gather your family and friends already in your home, your pet(s), and your emergency supply kit for each family member.
- Stay inside your home, stay away from all windows, doors, skylights and glass doors. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recommends using the most interior room, closet or hallway on the lowest level of your home during severe weather.
- Be sure to have storage containers for water, and have at least one gallon of water person and pets per day.

- Be sure to have cell phones charged and have back-up batteries each cell phone.
- Generators may not be operated inside a home. You should place the generator where it has a way to allow exhaust fumes to escape.
- It's important to follow instructions by officials and do not go out until they have given the okay to do so.
- When going outside please stay out of puddles and also away from trees that are down.

### MAKE AN EMERGENCY PLAN

#### EMERGENCY PLAN SHOULD INCLUDE:

- What you and your family will do.
- What to have on hand.
- What to take with you.
- Where to go, if necessary.
- Create a plan for your pet.



#### BASICS

- List each person your plan will cover and each person's full contact information.
- Health Conditions or Disability-related needs in your group should be listed. Please give any special instructions.
- Evacuation Orders: Orders have been given and you will need a plan as to when you will leave your home or if you have alternate option and where will that be.
- Pet(s): Please make sure that in their kit there is updates on vacancies, if they are a support animal, please provide documents and bring everything needed for your pet(s).
- Speak to your children and show them the plans should you need to leave the area.
- **Contact Information** on all members of your group.

#### **EMERGENCY EVACUATIONS**

There are two types of Evacuation Instructions:

**Evacuation Recommendations:** The Mayor may recommend that certain residents take steps to evacuate due to their personal risk. A recommendation might be issued to residents who may need extra time to evacuate due to mobility challenges or people who live in areas prone to flooding that may not be in a storm surge inundation area.

**Evacuation Order:** The Mayor may order residents of specific areas of the county deemed to be in danger, based on a hurricane's track and projected storm surge.

Areas of the County that should evacuate will be announced so please stay in tune to your local news.

### Hurricane Shelters

**RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO** STAY WITH FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS WHO LIVE INLAND IN A NON-EVACUATION AREA. HURRICANE EVACUATION CENTERS WILL BE OPEN, BUT SHOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED AS A SHELTER OF LAST RESORT.

#### **ITEMS YOU WILL NEED FOR THE SHELTER**

- 1. Sleeping Bags/folding chairs or mats
- 6. Drinking water 1 gallon per person
- 2. Infant and child care items
- 3. Personal Hygiene items
- 4. Comfort materials, such as books, magazines, etc.
- 5. Medication (refrigeration will be available for prescription or emergency medication)

- 7. Snacks
- 8. Extra Clothing
- 9. Special items for family members who are elderly or disabled
- 10. Pet(s) Items





#### It is strongly recommended to bring portable electronic devices

such as phones, tablets extra batteries for toys, extra cords for phones as well as battery packs fully charged, as there are limited outlets at evacuation centers.



#### While Hurricane Evacuation centers will provide meals

such as sandwiches and soups, it will take time to get the food set up and served, so you should eat before you leave your home.

#### If you are a special diet,

you should bring those dietary items with you, so as to ensure the highest level of comfort during your evacuation away from home.

#### PET-FRIENDLY EVACUATION CENTERS

Animal Services operates pet-friendly shelters during emergencies. It is important to check with the shelter and determine whether you must pre-register. Evacuation Centers will be announced and opened as needed.





### PREPARE AND BE SAFE IN **ADVANCE OF A HURRICANE**

AS WE ALL KNOW HURRICANE SEASON IS FROM JUNE 1 THROUGH **NOVEMBER 30.** WE HOPE THAT THIS INFORMATIONAL NOTICE HAS GIVEN YOU SOME IDEAS AND TO PUT TOGETHER A HURRICANE PLAN.

> YOU WILL NEED SEVEN DAYS TO FOURTEEN DAYS' WORTH **OF SUPPLIES** FOR EACH MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY.

#### THIS IS RECAP OF WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Disaster Preparedness Maps
- Disability Planning
- □ Flood Insurance Documents
- □ Have a Pet Plan
- $\square$  Have a Place to Go
- □ Know Your Zone
- □ Planning to Prepare Your Home for a Hurricane
- Documents for Your Home
- □ Emergency Kits for Each of the Members Who Will Ride Out the Storm with You
- □ Shelters' Locations

#### PETS

- □ Leash
- □ Harness
- □ Water for 7 Days or More
- Dry Pet Food
- □ Favorite Toys
- □ Shot Records
- Pet Bed or Blanket

#### **FIRST AID**

- □ Band Aids
- □ Peroxide
- □ Bug Spray
- □ Sunscreen
- □ Female Hygiene
- □ Dry Shampoo
- □ Soap
- □ Prescriptions
- □ Thermometer
- □ Kids Tylenol
- □ Adult Tylenol
- □ First Aid Kit

#### ACCESSORIES

- □ Toilet Paper
- □ Garbage Bags
- Doggie Bags
- □ Cat Box and Litter
- □ Ziplock Bags
- □ Utility Gloves
- □ Umbrella
- □ Phone Charges
- □ Poncho(s)

#### Courtesy of www.floridadisaster.org

#### FOOD

- □ Manual Can Opener
- □ Water for Everyone for 7 Days or More
- (1 gallon per person) □ Non-Perishable Food Items
- □ Canned Food
- □ Vitamins
- Disposable Plates and Utensils
- □ Napkins

#### PAPERWORK

- □ ID for Each Person in Your Group
- Passports for Each Person in Your Group
- Personnel Documents
- □ Insurance Documents
- □ Medical Cards
- □ Vaccination Records for Your Pet(s)

#### **OTHER ITEMS**

- □ Fill Up Your Vehicle With Gas
- Fill Your Bathtub and Other Containers with Extra Water
- □ Turnoff Sprinklers/Water Valves
- Close Your Windows and Put Hurricane Protection for Your Windows
- □ Take Out Cash
- □ Secure Out Door Items
- □ Bring In Trash Cans
- □ Trim Tree Limbs







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