

## BERMUDA BAY'S HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION

Hurricanes post particular dangers to coastal areas, especially near the Gulf of Mexico. Because a hurricane's path is usually tracked for days, there is normally time for preparation and preventative measures. These measures can limit both personal and property losses. These guidelines are in no way all-inclusive and must be used in conjunction with common sense and sound property management principles. Information regarding evacuation routes and shelters is available on Bermuda Bay's website. (<http://bermudabaystpete.com>) under the News/Social tab.

Residents should stay tuned to local news channels and comply with all mandatory evacuation orders. Anyone remaining on the property during a mandatory evacuation does so at their own risk.

When the National Hurricane Center issues a Hurricane Warning advisory, the following procedures should be taken to ensure your safety and the safety of others.

1. All plants, patio furniture and other outdoor items must be removed and moved inside. Any items left outside may be removed by maintenance.
2. Remain calm and keep listening to local news for weather conditions, evacuation routes, and the nearest shelter locations.
3. Purchase in advance; bottled water, ice, non-perishable items (canned food, packaged food, etc.), paper and personal products to include a manual can opener.
4. Do not leave pets unattended at the property. There are shelters and kennels that will board your pet in case of evacuation.
5. Obtain necessary prescriptions and medications and keep them with you in the event of an evacuation.
6. Keep flashlights and a battery operated radio/TV with you. Have extra batteries.
7. Clean the bathtub with bleach and fill with water.
8. In the event of a power failure; turn off all appliances and keep the refrigerator door closed (food will stay cool for 24 hours).
9. ATMs will not be working in the event of a power outage. Make arrangements to have extra cash on hand.
10. Fill your vehicles with gas before the storm arrives.
11. Avoid downed power lines and report them to the local electric company as soon as possible.
12. Take refuge in a small interior room during the storm.
13. Keep all windows and doors closed through the storm. Do not crack a window or door during the storm. Draw your vertical blinds and drapery materials over the windows to help protect from the possibility of shattering glass.
14. Take your automobile and personal property insurance policies with you in the event of an evacuation. Remember that the property's insurance only covers the building structure and not the contents or personal belongings.

Lastly, we want to extend our appreciation to you for your cooperation. Your safety is our primary concern.