

## **HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS GUIDE**

***Hurricane Season starts June 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through the end of November each year.***

Please keep this weather preparedness guide on-hand to help keep you and your family safe.

### **Before the Hurricane Season**

- \*Determine safe evacuation routes inland.
- \*Learn location of official shelters.
- \*Make emergency plans for pets.
- \*Check emergency equipment, such as flashlights, generators and battery-powered NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards and cell phones.
- \*Buy food that will keep and store drinking water.
- \*Buy plywood or other material to protect your home.
- \*Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts.
- \*Trim trees and shrubbery.
- \*Decide where to move your boat in an emergency.
- \*Review your insurance policy.

### **During the Storm**

- \*When in a **Watch** area...
- \*Listen frequently to radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards for bulletins of a storm's progress.
- \*Fuel and service your vehicles.
- \*Inspect and secure mobile home tie-downs.
- \*Board up windows in case the storm moves quickly and you have to evacuate.
- \*Stock up on batteries, food that will keep, first aid supplies, drinking water and medications.
- \*Store lawn furniture and other loose, light-weight objects, such as garbage cans and garden tools.
- \*Have cash on hand in case power goes out and ATMs don't work.

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