



SEE & SAVE Hurricane Checklist #1

PREPARING FOR THE STORM

- ❑ **Know the storm surge history and elevation of your area.** Emergency management agencies such as FEMA and the National Weather Service can help with this information.
- ❑ **Learn a safe primary and alternate evacuation route inland.**
- ❑ **If your plans call for evacuation,** decide ahead of time where you are going and know what you will take with you.
- ❑ **Inventory your property,** with video equipment if possible, and review your insurance policies to ensure adequate coverage is provided. Remember, flood insurance must be in effect before a storm enters the Gulf of Mexico.
- ❑ **Review needs and working condition of emergency equipment,** such as first-aid kits, flashlights, battery-powered radios, nonperishable food, water containers for a 2-week supply, camping stove with fuel, and plywood and plastics necessary to properly secure your home.
- ❑ **Keep trees and shrubbery trimmed.** Cut weak branches and trees that could fall against the house.
- ❑ **Make arrangements for pets ahead of time.** They are not allowed in shelters. (A guide for preparing your pet for evacuation will be published later in this series.)
- ❑ **Keep and store all legal documents** in one easy-to-move, secure container or safe. Make an inventory of documents, photos, and other irreplaceable articles that need to be taken in case of evacuation.
- ❑ **Plan for a well-stocked emergency supply kit.**
(See back of page for suggestions.)

Emergency Supply Kit

30-gallon trash barrel

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- Flashlight
 - Tissues
 - Radio
 - Batteries
 - Pencils
 - Pocket knife
 - Sanitary supplies
 - Toothbrush
 - Soap
 - Shampoo
 - Rubbing alcohol
 - Toilet paper
 - Paper towels
 - Cleanser
 - Bleach
 - Sponge
 - Garbage bags
 - Food and drink
 - Drinks/juices
 - Nuts
 - Rice, pastas
 - Peanut butter
 - Crackers
 - Soups
 - Dried beans
 - Canned foods
 - Water (1-gal. per person per day)
 - Can opener
 - First-aid kit
 - First-aid handbook
 - Medicines
 - Towels
 - Blankets
 - Candles
 - Matches
 - Change of clothing
 - Foul-weather gear
 - Portable stove, fuel
 - Cooking utensils
 - Cooking pot
 - Plastic dishes
 - Flatware
 - Aluminum foil
 - Change of Clothing
 - Foul Weather Gear
 - Sterno, Stove, Fuel
 - Cooking Utensils
 - Cooking Pot
 - Plastic Dishes
 - Silverware
 - Aluminum Foil

- ✓ Check your portable radio and battery-operated lights and flashlights
- ✓ Monitor weather broadcasts for current conditions and advisories from local emergency management officials
- ✓ Rotate food supplies every six months
- ✓ If you evacuate, be sure to post a prominent note telling where you've gone
- ✓ Provide for your pets, especially if you evacuate

NOTE: This list is not intended to be all-inclusive. You must decide what supplies are best suited for you and your family's survival. This list contains only suggestions for your consideration.