

TIPS TO HELP YOU PREPARE FOR A HURRICANE



EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM
Establish a Hurricane Emergency Response team and keep the contact list current. When a hurricane is imminent, assemble the team, supplies & equipment at a designated safe location on site.

ROOFS, WALLS & WINDOWS

Inspect roof coverings, perimeter flashings, gutters, drains, ventilators and other roof-mounted equipment. Inspect exterior wall coverings for attachment, damage & weather tightness. Board up windows, operate shutters, tie down equipment.

BUILDINGS & STRUCTURES
Review the structural integrity of each building and structure, including rotted wood, rusted metal, physical damage, loose/missing fasteners, etc. Replace or repair all damaged, missing or compromised components.



POWER SUPPLY

Anticipate loss of electrical power and other utilities. Consider emergency generators, alternative fuels, and similar contingency arrangements. Make sure your generator, if you have one, is serviced and ready if needed with a *full* tank of fuel.



PLANS

Prepare or locate and maintain a scaled plan or diagram of the facility that clearly shows the location of fire protection & emergency equipment. If flood is anticipated, obtain and review applicable flood maps for each location and evaluate flood susceptibility of each building. Check and seal any other possible water entry points & de-energize equipment that may be submerged.



TRANSPORTATION
Identify alternative means of transportation and alternative routes for all critical personnel, services, suppliers, contractors and establish relationships with lease and rental companies. Establish emergency communication methods. Release non-essential staff or direct them to a designated safe location.

MONITOR

Monitor weather and flood reports through the National Weather Service (NWS) and the National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).



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