

## ARE YOU PREPARED???

The following information has been prepared by your Association and forwarded to you to help you better prepare your unit prior to an emergency evacuation. This list can also be useful when you leave your unit for extended periods of time. Check each box as you accomplish the task. In stressful situations we sometimes overlook the obvious.

- Remove furniture and wall hangings from the rear deck and place them inside.
- Unplug the water heater or adjust circuit breaker to off position.
- Set A/C and Humidifier to prevent mold accumulation.
- If on the first floor pull plugs from wall receptacles in case of flooding.
- Remove perishables from the refrigerator and freezer compartments.
- Lock all doors and windows. Secure storm shutters if you have them.
- Turn water off at the main valve for your unit.
- Alert the office and your unit watcher that you are leaving.
- Make sure that your unit watcher has a valid key and your phone number.

For owners/occupants residing at Sugar Sands during the hurricane season, we offer the following suggestions in addition to those listed above.

- Have an emergency box of items necessary to weather the early stages of a storm. This box should include a flashlight with backup batteries, a battery powered radio with additional batteries, candles and matches, some cash, personal telephone directory, road maps of Florida and nearby states, photographs of the interior of your unit and duplicate insurance papers. Canned goods, manual opener and several gallons of water also should be available.
- Have an emergency travel route in mind prior to leaving as well as an alternate route. Storm paths can vary at the last moment.
- Have a phone contact off Singer Island who can give you updated status reports on the area. Remember the office staff will have their hands full during and after a storm and may not be able to respond to calls to the office even if the phone lines are operational.
- Be certain that everything you want to take with you will fit *in* your automobile. Some items are more valuable to you than others. Know what you want to take before the storm.
- Call a designated family member when you arrive at your emergency destination. Give them your location and phone number. If possible, let your watcher know too.

Your Association will from time to time update this list. Copies will be available in the office. Local newspapers and supermarkets also publish valuable information prior to the hurricane season. Look for it and place info in emergency box.

**Reprints of this document available at the office, from your building representative and in a plastic envelope found in each building laundry room.**

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