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HURRICANE CHECKLIST

BEFORE THE STORM

- Tune in to your local radio or TV stations, or check your city/county website for the latest weather updates and emergency instructions. Have a battery-operated radio on hand.
- Bring in or tie down loose outdoor objects.
- Prepare your house. If your home is equipped with awnings, lower them or purchase approved storm panels. If these are not available, obtain strong plywood to cover your windows. If you cannot cover your windows, use a windowless room as a refuge.
- Listen to county and state officials regarding evacuations and shelter locations.
- Gather emergency supply items including water, flashlights, batteries, first-aid kit, extra medicine, non-perishable food, manual can opener, fire extinguisher, candles and matches, toilet articles and sanitary needs.
- Plan how to communicate with your family members if you lose power—using texts, emails or social media. Remember that during a disaster, sending text messages is usually reliable and faster than making phone calls because the phone lines are often overloaded.

DURING THE STORM

- Remain inside.
- Listen to your radio or tune in to your city/state website (if Internet service is available) for the all clear.
- Do not be fooled by a lull. It may be the eye of the storm passing.
- Limit phone calls to emergencies only.
- Conserve refrigeration. If you lose power, open the refrigerator and/or freezer only when needed.

AFTER THE STORM

- Stay clear of downed power lines, trees and debris.
- Listen to instructions from local officials.
- Do not drive across flooded roadways.
- Stay clear of moving water especially near rivers, streams and drainage systems.
- Stay tuned to radio (or TV or Internet, if available) for weather and news bulletins.