



# HURRICANE SEASON CHECKLIST



Atlantic Hurricane Season runs from June 1 to November 30. During this time always take the following steps:



**Know your evacuation plan**  
*Surfside is located in Zone B of the Storm Surge Planning Zone. This means residents must evacuate in the event of a Category 2 Hurricane or higher. All Town personnel, including the Police, must also evacuate.*



**Have a hurricane safety kit**  
*Visit [www.miamidade.gov/hurricane](http://www.miamidade.gov/hurricane) for the Miami-Dade County Hurricane Guide, including a safety kit checklist and evacuation routes*



**Trim large trees and dispose of hazardous materials prior to hurricane season**  
*This applies to homes, as well as local businesses*

# HURRICANE WARNING CHECKLIST

When a hurricane warning is issued, it is important to take several safety measures right away. Do not wait until the last minute. Please refer to the following safety checklist:



**Bring in loose items from outside your home**  
*Garbage cans, bicycles, children's toys, exterior furniture, or anything unsecured*



**Install storm shutters or board up windows**



**Stock up on water and non-perishable food items**  
*Make sure to have enough to last up to one (1) week*



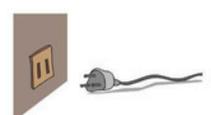
**Ensure that no garbage is left outside before or during the hurricane**



**Make sure to gas up your vehicle before the storm**  
*Move your vehicle into your garage or onto higher ground, if available*



**Charge electronics and keep portable batteries handy**



**Unplug all the appliances in your home and office/business**



**Document all important valuables in your home and store important documents**



**Withdraw emergency funds from an ATM**

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# POST HURRICANE SAFETY



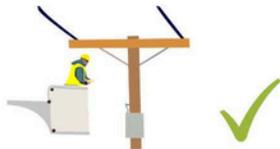
## In case of a mandatory evacuation:

The Town of Surfside is located in Zone B of the Storm Surge Planning Zone, which means that all residents including Town personnel and the Police must evacuate for a Category 2 hurricane or higher.

- Residents and local business owners will not be permitted to return to the Town of Surfside until officials determine it is safe.
- The Surfside Police Department will establish a secure perimeter around Town and assess damage in coordination with the Public Works Department. This process may take an extended period of time.
- Residents and business owners will be notified when it is safe to return via text alert. To receive updates, text SURFSIDE to 888-777.

## Once back at your home or local business, after the storm:

### DO



**Call FPL to report power outages**  
*The Town of Surfside is a customer of FPL and therefore has no jurisdiction over individual FPL claims, outages or other related issues. Contact FPL at 800.468.8243*



**Take photos of any personal or public destruction of property**  
*This is crucial to use as documentation for insurance claims*



**Empty any standing water in or around your property**  
*Concentration of water can lead to the spread of disease and also attracts mosquitoes*

### DON'T



**Do not use generators, gas grills or burn charcoal indoors**



**Avoid stepping or driving on puddles at all times**  
*Fallen power lines, sharp objects from debris, or animals may be hiding in puddles*



**Do not open manhole covers to drain flooded roadways**  
*This could overburden the sewer system and cause overflows*

For more post-storm safety tips, please visit [www.miamidade.gov/hurricane](http://www.miamidade.gov/hurricane)

If you have a medical emergency, call **911** immediately

For rumor control, information, and/or evacuation assistance, call **311**

For local updates, please call the Town Resident Hotline at **305-993-1070**  
(Only activated prior, during and after an emergency)

For all other matters, call the Surfside Police non-emergency line at **305-861-4862**