

The background of the slide is a tropical beach scene. In the foreground, several palm trees with long, slender trunks and lush green fronds are silhouetted against a bright, overcast sky. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds, and a hint of a rainbow is visible near the horizon. The ocean is visible in the distance, meeting the sky at a low horizon line. The overall atmosphere is serene and tropical.

An Eye For Preparation

Hurricane Planning Guide

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Hurricane Season

Are you prepared?

Hurricane Season

- Atlantic Coast: Begins June 1st and ends November 30th
- Eastern Pacific: Begins May 15th and ends November 30th
- Gulf Coast: Begins June 1st and ends November 30th



*“It pays to plan ahead.
It wasn’t raining when Noah built the ark.”*

Preparing before a hurricane strikes can make all the difference. Here are some important tips to incorporate into your planning

- Set up a disaster supply kit.
- Check your insurance coverage now. Ensure that you have the coverages you need. Once a hurricane is on the way, it is often difficult to make adjustments to your insurance program.
- Develop a plan for communication and a meeting place for family members if you are separated before or during the storm. Plan also for family pets as many shelters will not accept pets.



Supply Kit

Putting together a disaster supply kit before a storm assures that you and your family will have everything that you need. Some items you may want to include:

- Food and water for at least 3 days – one gallon per person per day.
- Blankets, pillows and clothing (including rain gear).
- First aid supplies, medications, toiletries and baby supplies.
- Flashlight, extra batteries and a battery powered radio. (Do not use candles as they pose a fire hazard in a storm).
- Cell phones, chargers and extra cash.
- Keys to both house and car along with any important personal documents.



Review Your Coverage

It is important to review your coverage before a storm to assure that you have the coverage you think you have. Below are some commonly misunderstood coverages that vary greatly from policy to policy:

- Hurricane/Wind deductibles or exclusions.
- Flood/Water damage.
- Mold coverage.
- Theft.



After the Storm

After the storm has passed...

- Drive or walk along streets carefully and only do so if necessary.
- Never drive or walk through moving water.
- Beware of loose or dangling wires and power lines. Also do not attempt to power up any utilities until you know it is safe to do so.
- Be careful of drinking the water until it has been deemed safe and only eat foods that you know are safe.
- Contact your insurance company and file a claim for any damage to your home.



Important Contacts

Evacuation Shelter:

Local Fire Department:

American Red Cross:

Insurance Company:
