

Park Place

Block Captain Neighborhood Watch Program

Hurricane Evacuation Checklist for Your Home & Auto...

Before and When You Are Required to Leave.

Please note: When an evacuation order is issued, all Park Place residents must evacuate out of the storm's path regardless of home location, age of the home or use of tie-downs.

When a major storm is named even before you know the projected path, follow these tips:

1. It is good practice to fill the gas tank on your car and keep it topped off.
2. Check the roadside emergency kit for your car: safety flares, tire repair kit like 'Fix-a Flat', basic tools (screw drivers, pliers, hammer, duct tape), jumper cables, flashlight & extra batteries
3. Have an emergency medical kit in your car, and check the expiration dates of pills and creams.
4. Check your prescriptions and over-the-counter meds, get refills (insurance plans will allow early refills) and take all your medications and a complete list in a carrying case.
5. If the storm path threatens your area, begin packing all breakables and put in well padded cartons placed on the floor of your home.
6. Pack your photographs, notebook computer or laptop and backups, and insurance documents.
7. Get enough cash to cover meals, gas and incidentals for 4-6 days. Use a credit card for hotel, gas and meals when you can. Remember, ATM machines will not work when power is off.
8. Call your relatives and make sure they have your cell phone numbers. Also if you have Facebook tell them that you'll post information and activities.
9. Register with Alert Indian River County so you receive emergency management alerts about the status of Indian River County. Go to www.ircgov.com main page, scroll down, on left side look for /click on **ALERT Indian River Subscribe**. Or, call Sharyne @772-567-2154 for phone alerts.

When the evacuation order is given, take the following steps to secure your home:

1. Request a stop/hold on U.S. Mail at MailHold@usps.com and newspaper delivery at 1-866-707-6397. You can restart when you return.
2. Install hurricane shutters and all windows and doors leaving the front door until you depart.
3. Stow away in a garage or shed or securely anchor outside all things such as garbage cans, recycle bins, bicycles, lawn furniture, gardening equipment, ladders, hanging pots, potted plants on a porch or sidewalk or driveway, flags, decorative sconces on the exterior of your home, anything that can become a flying missile.
4. Turn off the municipal water supply to your home at the meter by the street.
5. Set your air-conditioning unit to 85° before you leave.

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6. Set your refrigerator/freezer to the coldest setting..
7. At the circuit breaker panel turn off the hot water heater and stove (leave A/C breakers on).
8. Unplug **all** appliances; TV's, computers, modem, radios, toaster, toaster oven & charging devices
9. Put a cup of Clorox in each toilet bowl and securely cover with saran wrap.
10. Shut off the propane supply to your grill but do not disconnect it. Put a strap over the grill cover
11. Move your grill to a garage or shed. If you can't, anchor it securely to porch steps or railing with a locking cable.
12. Turn off the electricity to the garage door opener
13. Securely install the overhead garage door high wind support bars.

Loading your Car

1. For your pet, take your pet carrier, plenty of food, and water, any meds, leashes and some toys and a favorite blanket/towel.
2. Bring your homeowners insurance policy, list of all medications and drug store name for refills
3. Bring a phone book and your Park Place phone directory.
4. Emergency food kit for the car (water, snacks, etc.)
5. Should you be stuck in traffic for a long period, male/female urine container with toilet paper (there are discrete containers-- we are older), or bring Depends.
6. Cell phone with car charger and regular A/C charger.
7. Bring your weather band radio with extra batteries.

DO NOT Return home until Emergency Authorities approve resident return to Park Place.