

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS PLAN

This plan is being provided by the **Indian Beach Property Owners Association** for our members. This plan is for informational purposes only, each property owner should adopt a plan that suits their needs.

Each year many of you have the intent of devising a plan but never establish a plan. Your plan must have three parts: Before the Storm, During Storm, and After the Storm. The following constitutes our suggestion. Keep in mind that often a storm will come up quickly with no time to react other than to make a phone call. Remember that storms that form in the Gulf of Mexico do not allow preparation time. Be prepared; make your families **Hurricane Preparedness Plan** today.



Before the Storm

1. Before leaving Galveston: Turn off gas, water, store or secure all loose items that may become projectiles.
2. If you do not live on the Island contract with a person who will board up your windows or close your security windows, secure your boat, turn off gas, water.
3. Establish a call list of other property owners, contractors, utility companies, and emergency numbers. Obtain information concerning Tracking the Storm from Channel 11, The Galveston Website and the Indian Beach Website.
4. Purchase any supplies you may need, keeping in mind that once the storm hits you may not have access to a store or stocks will be diminished. (Water, Nonperishable foods, baby supplies, medicine, dog/cat food, flashlights, batteries, First Aid Kit, mosquito spray, etc.).

During the Storm:

1. Do Not attempt to go to your Island home if you do not know the road conditions. Tune to the radio stations listed below for weather and road openings and closings.
2. Prepare for a visit to your home, review your PLAN to assure you have included bringing water, nonperishable foods in the event there is no electricity, supplies for clean up.
3. Contact your established contractor for confirmation that your house is secure.

After the Storm:

1. To access the Island after a storm the authorities may require proof of ownership (Drivers License with Galveston address, Utility Bill, etc.)
2. Each property owner is responsible for cleaning up their own storm debris, Galveston County and your Association has assisted in the past.
3. Contact your insurance company if you have sustained damage. The insurance company will tell you what procedure you should follow as far as removing wet and damaged materials.

4. Prior to repairs be sure to obtain the necessary repairs from the City of Galveston and/or County. Depending on what is being repaired (i.e., dune walkovers) obtain the FEMA or General Land Office permits as well.

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Note: At a wind of 55mph emergency vehicles will quit driving, the San Luis Bridge and the Causeway are considered unsafe and will be closed. The ferries will also stop if the winds are at 55mph or the waves are greater than 5 feet.

It is advisable that each property owner take responsibility for their own property and in staying tuned through the radio stations and websites provided. The Sheriffs Department and its Deputies will be busy handling emergency situations including directing traffic stopping unauthorized access.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Emergency Alert Station (EAS) for Houston/Galveston area: KTRH 40 AM, KPRC 950 AM, KLOL 101.1 FM, 1610 AM, and 740 AM. Also Galveston stations KGBC 1540 AM, KLTP 104.9 FM, National Weather Service: high band FM Frequency 162.55 MHZ Galveston and 162.40 HMZ Houston.

Website: www.indianbeachpoa.com , www.weather.com,
www.nws.noaa.gov.com

Galveston Office of Emergency

Management: <http://www.gcoem.org/Hurricanes>:

<http://www.hurricane.com/UM>

Weather:



<http://cirrus.sprl.umich.edu/wxnet/Weather Underground>:

<http://autobrand.wunderground.com/Weather Gulf of Mexico:>

<http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/Maps/WestGulf.shtmlTides on Line:>

<http://tidesonline.nos.noaa.gov/Jamaica Beach weather Observatory:>

<http://members.aol.com/IslandWx/>