

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST WET SLIP



1. GENERAL HURRICANE PLAN INFORMATION

- Persons/business to receive a copy
- Define stages of plan (e.g., storm watch, vessel preparations, vessel securing)
- Determine when each stage should be enacted. This will change depending on vessel type, location, and any storage contracts

2. PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Name
- Addresses
- Phone and pager numbers (include e-mail address as a secondary mode of communication)

3. VESSEL INFORMATION

- Year, make, model, length
- Hull Identification Number (HIN)
- Motor serial number(s)
- Reg#/DOC# and boat name
- Boat present location (address, phone number, and information of key contacts)
- Insurance carrier
- Hurricane Club information (if any)

4. ALTERNATE INFORMATION

- Name
- Address
- Phone and pager numbers

5. DOCKMATE/NEIGHBOR INFORMATION

- Name
- Address
- Phone and pager numbers
- Boat year, make, model, HIN
- Exchange copies of hurricane plan

6. VESSEL PREPARATION

- Complete vessel inspection (hull, deck, hardware, rigging, ground tackle, machinery, and electronics)
- Make copies of all vital paperwork (title, registration, insurance policy)
- Take images of vessel
- Inspect condition of trailer and determine storage location
- Create list of electronics equipment to be removed from boat
- Create list of windage and portable gear to be struck and lashed to the deck or stowed below and create a plan of stowage:
 - Deck gear
 - Portable gear
 - Radio antennae

6. VESSEL PREPARATION (CONT.)

- Outriggers
- Fishing chairs
- Deck boxes
- Bimini tops
- Sails
- Dinghies

7. EQUIPMENT CONSIDERATIONS (ALL EQUIPMENT OF PROPER SIZE AND WEIGHT FOR YOUR VESSEL)

- Extra line and chafing gear
- Anchors, chains, and rode
- Ground tackle, shackles, and swivels
- Plugs, duct tape, and sealant
- Fenders and fender boards
- Battery-operated weather radio
- Tie-downs and bungsies

8. VESSEL LOCATION (WET SLIP)

- Ensure wet slip storage is permitted under marina contract
- Inspect pilings for condition
- Double lines and chaffing equipment
 - Allow enough line length to allow for storm surge and/or wave action
- Rig spring lines fore and aft
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- Check cleats, winches, chocks, and all backing plates and bolts
- Rig fenders and fender boards
- Fully charge batteries
- Check bilge pumps
- Turn off any ancillary electric appliances (clocks, electronics, refrigerator)
- Check cockpit drains to make sure they are free and clear of debris
- Check all through hulls are closed and are in sound condition
- Strike windage/portable equipment list and lash/stow according to plan
- Remove listed electronics
- Secure and tape shut all hatches, ports, doors, and lazarettes
- Lash down tillers, wheels, rudders, and booms
- Take photos of final preparations and place images with vessel paperwork

9. FIVE QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU LEAVE YOUR BOAT

- Have I safeguarded against environmental or sewage concerns?
- Have I removed or secured all projective items and safeguarded against loss or theft?
- Have I provided enough line and chafing gear to secure my vessel from wind, waves, and surge?
- Have I protected my vessel from taking on water?
- Have I chosen the best location that appears to be the best option available for my vessel?