

# BEAR POINT PROPERTY OWNER STORM PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

Before a named storm enters the Gulf of Mexico, start making your storm preparation plans to avoid the inevitable rush as storms approach.

Be prepared to:

Secure any outdoor items such as patio furniture, grills, trash receptacles, yard art, or any other loose items that could become flying debris during a storm. If the items cannot be secured inside of a storage area, tie down these items with shipping straps or other means to keep them from becoming projectiles.

For residents on the water, make sure to remove all items from your pier or over-water structures. Shutoff power and water to these structures to prevent broken water lines that could possibly contaminate the area water supply. Shut off all electrical power to these structures to prevent damage and potential for shorting out and fire.

For property in flood prone areas, move possessions such as outdoor items, golf carts, boats/trailers, vehicles, to an area that does not flood to prevent damage and to reduce the chance of contaminated water due to oil, lubricants and fuel.

For homes and yards that are prone to flood, manually pump down the sewage basin at the residence and shut off the power to the grinder pump to prevent overloading the city sewage system and ruining your basin/pump. Allowing your grinder pump to run continuously will significantly shorten the life of your equipment. This should be done prior to any flooding.

Consider turning off power to any lower levels that are prone to flooding to reduce the chance of electrical shock and damage to your appliances and other electrical equipment that may be covered by water.

Safely remove any vegetation debris such as limbs and secure any outdoor stockpiles of firewood or scrap wood.

Take down flags, flag poles, and other hanging objects from the exterior of your home.

Secure trash receptacles with straps or rope.

Assemble your Survival Kit (see below).

Provide your contact name and number to the Bear Point Civic Association by emailing to [bearpointca@outlook.com](mailto:bearpointca@outlook.com). We will attempt to respond to requests regarding storm damage to our BPCA Members post-storm.

# What Do You Need In A Survival Kit?

**At a minimum, you should have the basic supplies listed below:**

[Water: one gallon per person, per day \(3-day supply for evacuation, 2-week supply for home\)](#)

[Food: non-perishable, easy-to-prepare items \(3-day supply for evacuation, 2-week supply for home\)](#)

[Flashlight](#)

[Battery-powered or hand-crank radio](#) (NOAA Weather Radio, if possible)

Extra batteries ([Similar item available in the Red Cross Store](#))

[Deluxe family first aid kit](#)

Medications (7-day supply) and medical items

Multi-purpose tool

Sanitation and personal hygiene items

Copies of personal documents (medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home, passports, birth certificates, insurance policies)

Cell phone with chargers ([Similar item available in the Red Cross Store](#))

Family and emergency contact information

Extra cash

[Emergency blanket](#)

Map(s) of the area

**Consider the needs of all family members and add supplies to your kit:**

Medical supplies (hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, syringes, etc)

Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers)

Games and activities for children

Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl)

Two-way radios

Extra set of car keys and house keys

Manual can opener

**Additional supplies to keep at home or in your survival kit based on the types of disasters common to your area:**

Whistle

N95 or surgical masks

Matches

Rain gear

Towels

Work gloves

Tools/supplies for securing your home

Extra clothing, hat and sturdy shoes

Plastic sheeting

Duct tape

Scissors

Household liquid bleach

Entertainment items

Blankets or sleeping bags