

## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST RACK STORAGE



### 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

- Perform vessel inspection (hull, deck, hardware, rigging, ground tackle, machinery, and electronics)
- Make copies of a 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
  - 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
- Ground tackle, shackles, and swivels
- Plugs, duct tape, and sealant
- Fenders and fender boards
- Battery-operated weather radio
- Tie-downs and bungies

### 8. VESSEL LOCATION (RACK STORAGE)

- Check owner requirements in storage contract
- Disconnect battery
- Remove drain plugs and ensure they are free and clear of debris
- Pump out any black and/or gray water holding tanks
- 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?