

## HURRICANE PROCEDURES - JUNE 2021

(Hurricane Season is June 1 - November 30)

Dear Residents:

Below find an outline of hurricane procedures for Avalon of Naples Master Association, Inc. and how a hurricane may affect your family. Make plans now on where you would like to stay. Stock up on food items; water (1 gallon per day per person); flashlights; battery powered radio; first aid kit; and prescription medications to avert the rush at the stores.

### **DELIVERIES:**

No deliveries will be allowed once we are in a hurricane "WARNING" or "WATCH" for the Clubhouse. Please re-schedule any pending arrivals, as all delivery trucks will be turned away.

Resident deliveries will not be restricted.

### **EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

Emergency services will probably not be available in a timely fashion, if at all, due to impassable roadways and all requests will be prioritized by those most in need. If you have a medical condition that could warrant a need, you might want to consider other arrangements until after the storm. Plan accordingly.

### **ENTRY:**

"WARNING": The Front Gates will be secured open, and everyone will have access to Avalon. Please be safe and remember to stay aware of your surroundings.

### **EVACUATION:**

Mandatory evacuation, if necessary, will be proclaimed by the local authorities. Evacuation zones are identified by the likelihood of being flooded by storm surge or rising waters. Complete all storm preparations and follow local emergency management officials' advice. Be aware that fallen trees could make the roadways impassable.

There are some local hotels/motels that will keep an open reservation on your credit card and activate the reservation when we are in hurricane WATCH.

### **GUESTS:**

Guests should be kept at a minimal when a Hurricane Warning is issued and after the storm has passed until facilities are fully operational again.

### **HURRICANE "WATCH":**

A hurricane watch means that hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 mph or higher) are possible within the specified area. A hurricane watch is issued 48 hours in advance of the anticipated onset of tropical-storm-force winds in an area. During a hurricane watch, prepare your home and review your plan for evacuation in case the threat is upgraded. Listen closely to instructions from local officials.

**HURRICANE "WARNING":**

Hurricane warnings indicate that hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 mph or higher) are expected within the specified area. Because hurricane preparedness activities become difficult once winds reach tropical storm force (sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph), the warning is issued 36 hours in advance of the anticipated onset of tropical storm-force winds to allow for early preparation. During a hurricane warning, complete storm preparations and immediately leave the threatened area if directed by local officials.

**INSURANCE:**

Pictures and videos of the contents to your unit are crucial if you need to file a claim with your insurance company. Keep copies of warranty booklets with model and serial numbers of your personal property as well as photos on file and take them with you if you are leaving the area. In the event your local agent is not available, make sure you have a corporate headquarters office telephone number to call. It is highly recommended that all unit owners have an insurance policy in place for their unit. For condo owners, it is important to have your unit insurance policy current so if a hurricane causes damages to the building your policy can help you cover the possible deductible that each owner would have to pay.

The loss of assessment your policy would have will assist in paying this amount.

**LEAVING YOUR UNIT:**

We advise you to call family members and let them know where you are going before you leave because phone service might be out, due to high winds, by the time you get to your destination. (See EVACUATION section above).

**NON-RESIDENT OWNERS:**

If you are not in residence, you need to note the following:

1. The Avalon Staff does not check your unit. Please plan for a relative, friend or neighbor to check your unit before and after the storm.
2. Make sure the sliding glass doors are securely LOCKED.
3. Make sure to shut off your water. Also shut off the breaker to your hot water heater.

**PETS:**

Most shelters do not permit pets. Please call Domestic Animal Services 239-530-7387 to receive information and an application. Pets cannot be left in the unit unattended. Should you decide to leave the county, please make proper arrangements with your vet, kennel, friends or family to care for your pet.

**POOL:**

The pool furniture will be stored during hurricane "WATCH". If you plan on using the pool area, we apologize for the inconvenience of not having chairs on the pool deck available. The pool will be chlorinated during hurricane "WATCH" and will remain out of commission for at least two (2) days after the storm.

**RECOVERY AFTER THE STORM:**

After the storm, roadways may be impassable making it impossible to return to the building. The landscaping crew, once they can return to work, will make a diligent effort to clear the roadways. Electricity and water may not be available. You should have water on hand to carry you through until services are restored.

**RETURNING TO THE PROPERTY:**

Please be patient; officials' priority is public safety. Listen to the local news media for possible road closures and curfews. A reoccupation order can take hours, days or even weeks depending on the severity of damage to the roads, bridges, and buildings.

**SHELTER FOR EVACUATION:**

The public shelters are far from comfortable. You must bring a bed roll, pillow, food for at least three meals, flashlights, toilet paper, personal hygiene products, diapers, and water for each person in your family. The supply of food is limited and might not be to your liking.

**STAFF:**

The Avalon of Naples staff, and property manager will only be available for a short period once a hurricane "WATCH" is issued. When the building is in hurricane "WARNING," all staff persons will be on their way home. Key personnel will stay on a volunteer basis only and as time permits them to reach their homes safely. Please remember, the staff must secure their own homes and families.

**WATER:**

If you are staying in your unit, you might lose water pressure due to the County's lack of service or loss of electric for the pump stations. Keep at least one gallon of water per person for each day. A two-week supply is prudent. Clean your tub with bleach and fill your tub with tap water for cooking, washing and to flush your toilets.

We hope this has been informative and will assist you during storm preparations.

Good Luck!

**Additional Information:**

<https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/your-government/divisions-a-e/emergency-management/current-emergency-information/collier-county-shelter-locations-evacuation-routes>

Collier County Shelter Locations & Evacuation Routes

Evacuation Map will be placed here when the hazardous conditions threaten.

Click on "Shelters" to see which shelters could potentially be opened.

Call the Information Hotline at 239-252-8444 for the latest information once a hurricane is in the area.

Shelters do not provide conveniences or luxuries. Food and water will be available, but there may be a slight delay in initial service. If you want or need special food items, bring them to the shelter with you. Bring your families' disaster survival kit to ensure proper provisions. Some items you should consider bringing when going to a shelter:

- Prescription medications
- Drinking water (initially)
- Snacks or special foods
- Lawn chair or bed roll
- Books, magazines, electronic entertainment items with headphones
- Change of clothing

Weapons and alcoholic beverages are not permitted.

# Avalon of Naples Master Association

## Resident Emergency Contact Form

If you are going to be out of town during a hurricane, we will need this information in your file.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

I will be out of town during the hurricane season and can be reached as shown below:

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I designated a hurricane caretaker who is authorized to prepare my unit.

\_\_\_\_\_ My caretaker has a key to my unit and knows how to prepare my unit in the event of a hurricane.

### Caretaker Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Note:

This form may be mailed to the Association, or hand-delivered to the offices of Vesta Property Services, Inc. It can also be scanned and emailed to [pgabart@Vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:pgabart@Vestapropertyservices.com), [trodriguez@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:trodriguez@vestapropertyservices.com) or faxed to 239-919-3178.

# Hurricane



## PREPAREDNESS & EVACUATION INFORMATION

### THINK. PLAN. ACT.

June 2021

#### Hurricane Season June 1 - November 30

##### Forecasts

##### Evacuation-

Hurricane preparedness should be a priority in your home. The county will make the decision to evacuate based on the projection and intensity of an impending storm. Have a plan on how you would secure your home and where you would go if you need to evacuate. Please take evacuation seriously, plan for the unexpected that could leave you without outside access for some time.

##### TROPICAL CLIMATE

**Tropical Depression** - An organized system of clouds and thunderstorms with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds \* of 38 mph (33kt\*) or less.

**Tropical Storm** - An organized system of strong thunderstorms with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 39-73 mph (34-36kt).

**Hurricane** - An intense tropical weather system of strong thunderstorms with a well-defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 74 mph (64 kt) or higher.

##### Saffir-Simpson Scale

**Category 1:** Sustained winds of 74.95 mph

**Category 2:** Sustained winds of 96-110 mph

**Category 3:** Sustained winds of 111-130 mph

**Category 4:** Sustained winds of 131-155 mph

**Category 5:** Sustained winds of 155 + mph

**Hurricane Watch** - A hurricane may strike your area within 24-48 hours

## Preparation Plan ..

##### Be Prepared

Residents are urged to develop a disaster preparedness plan before an emergency strikes. Plan in advance where you will stay, how you will get there and what supplies you will take.

1. Make arrangements with friends or relatives living in a non-evacuation area or check into a hotel located inland: or, as a last resort, use a public shelter (see evacuation pickup sites under *EVACUATION*).
2. Have a transportation plan for emergencies.
3. Tell family or neighbors where you would go to stay in case of an emergency.
4. If you own a boat have a plan to secure it or take it elsewhere.
5. Don't leave your pet(s) behind make arrangements with a kennel or friend to care for your pet(s). There are Hotels that will accept pets with prior registration.

##### Before Evacuating Secure You're Home/Condo

Take down and bring in any signs, tables, garbage cans, plants, furniture, umbrellas, and other loose and/or unsecured structures from outdoors, including all balconies.

Please keep the following in mind when preparing your home before evacuating:

- Fill Prescriptions and fill vehicle gas tanks
- Unplug TV/computer and bring antenna and satellite dish inside.
- Move furniture and electronics away from windows and cover with plastic.
- Turn refrigerator to its coolest setting
- Place valuables in waterproof containers and store in a high place.

# SHELTERS

THERE ARE HURRICANE SHELTERS IN  
NAPLES / COLLIER COUNTY

The American Red Cross in coordination with other agencies operate shelters for evacuees at mainland schools and other facilities as deemed necessary during an evacuation. The locations are not pre-determined.

Collier County will begin evacuation procedures as soon as there is an evacuation order from the state and county. Collier County transit buses will provide free transportation to the mainland shelters from many locations in Collier County. Remember that pets are not allowed to go to general population shelters and therefore will not be allowed on the bus. Buses run continuous routes until Tropical Storm force winds arrive. Shelter announcements will be made available on online at [www.colliercountyfl.gov](http://www.colliercountyfl.gov) then Click on Emergency Information and Click on Collier County Emergency Management Department or call 311.

The shelters are not intended to be temporary housing. After a disaster, assessments will be made with local emergency managers as to continued and other shelter needs.



## Emergency Evacuation Pick-up Sites

Varies according to news reports. Please listen to your local news for updated information on emergency evacuation pick-up sites.

## IMPORTANT RESOURCES

Collier County Emergency  
Management Department  
8075 Lely Cultural Parkway  
Naples, FL 34113



- Bureau of Emergency Services:  
239.252.3600
- Call Center 3-1-1
- Alert Collier County:  
William Lang: 239.252.3624
- Florida Light & Power 239.262.1322
- Domestic Animal Services 239-530-7387
- Human Society 239.643.1555
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- Salvation Army 239.775.9447
- Federal Emergency Management Agency  
FEMA: 239.252.2326

## Special Needs and Emergency Evacuation

If you have special needs, please contact Collier County Emergency Management. The Emergency Evacuation Assistance Program (EEAP) is specifically designed to identify and support members of the community who may require specialized shelter and transportation. Residents are encouraged to register for the program well before a storm threatens our region. If residents call at the last minute, all attempts will be made to assist them. The application is available in English, Spanish and Creole. Vital medical information included in the application will help them determine eligibility for the program and the types of services needed. Contact: Lauren Bonica 239.252.3608

**If you encounter an emergency, please call  
911**