



Q: How can I get ready for a hurricane?

A: There are many preparedness strategies common to all disasters. Getting informed and having a plan are crucial to surviving. General preparedness planning information is located on the FEMA site at: <http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/index.shtml>.

Q: Why do I need to separate my yard trash and bulky waste?

A: State laws prohibit disposal of yard trash in a lined landfill. Separate to ensure waste is collected and complies with state laws regarding solid waste disposal.

Q: What can do I do with Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)?

A: Did you know that many of the products that we use in our homes like oil-based paint, solvents, pesticides, and pool chemicals are actually as hazardous as industrial chemicals? Well, it's true. And the bad news is that when these products are disposed of improperly, they can pollute our drinking water. Help protect Miami-Dade County's fragile environment by safely disposing of your household chemicals.

Q: How can I help?

A: Please be patient. Schedules may be disrupted. Public announcements will be issued regarding schedule changes.

Q: What are the Hurricane Categories?

A:

Category	Wind Speed	Storm Surge	Damage
1	75-95MPH	4-5FT	Minimal
2	96-110MPH	6-8FT	Moderate
3	111-130MPH	9-12FT	Extensive
4	131-155MPH	13-18FT	Extreme
5	>155MPH	>18FT	Catastrophic



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Information

For additional information about the Village of Palmetto Bay's Hurricane Preparedness you may visit or contact the Public Services Department at: www.palmettobay-fl.gov

9495 SW 180th Street
 Palmetto Bay, Florida 33157
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Other Helpful Resources

- <http://www.miamidade.gov/hurricane/>
- <http://www.miamidade.gov/dswm/>
- <http://www.miamidade.gov/oem/>
- <http://www.fema.gov/>
- <http://www.ready.gov/>
- <http://www.floridadisaster.org/>
- <http://www.floridahurricane.net/>

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BEFORE the Storm

- Be sure trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed.
- Be sure all stormwater drains are debris free.
- Be sure all yard debris is safely removed from yard.



Pruning Tips

Never "top" or "hatrack" a tree, and do not remove more than 25% of the tree canopy. Please contact Public Services at 305-969-5011 to consult with a certified arborist.



During a Hurricane Watch

DO NOT begin any tree pruning or household cleanup activities. Your option will be to self-haul household trash to one of the [Neighborhood](#)

[Trash & Recycling Centers](#). The Centers will remain open weather conditions permitting.

During a Hurricane Warning

Garbage and curbside recycling collection will be suspended. Secure your waste recycling containers in a utility room or garage so that they do not become flying debris. If you must dispose of bulky waste during a Hurricane watch or warning, **DO NOT** place it on the right-of-way. You can self-haul it to your nearest [Trash and Recycling Center](#). The [Trash and Recycling Centers](#) will remain open to accept your household trash weather conditions permitting



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South Dade Trash & Recycling Centers

Center Name	Location
Chapman Field 3,4,5*	13600 SW 60 Ave.
Eureka Drive 2*	9401 SW 184 St.
Moody Drive 1,2*	12970 SW 268 St.
Richmond Heights 3, 5*	14050 Boggs Drive
Snapper Creek 1, 3*	2200 SW 117 Ave.
South Miami Heights	20800 SW 117 Court
Sunset Kendall 2*	8000 SW 107 Ave.
West Perrine 2*	16651 SW 107 Ave.

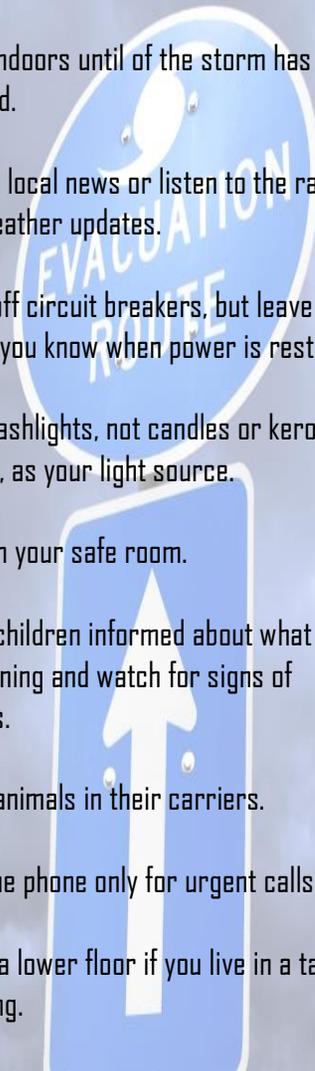
*(1) Accepts used motor oil; (2) Accepts used electronics; (3) Does not accept white goods; (4) Does not accept tires; (5) Does not accept mattresses.

DURING the Storm

The Right Way to Watch and Wait

Here's how:

- Stay indoors until of the storm has passed.
- Watch local news or listen to the radio for weather updates.
- Turn off circuit breakers, but leave one on so you know when power is restored.
- Use flashlights, not candles or kerosene lamps, as your light source.
- Stay in your safe room.
- Keep children informed about what is happening and watch for signs of stress.
- Keep animals in their carriers.
- Use the phone only for urgent calls.
- Go to a lower floor if you live in a tall building.
- Get in the tub or under a mattress if your home begins to come apart.



AFTER the Storm



Do's:

- Check your local media advisories for information regarding the resumption of waste collection services call 311 or visit the [County Portal](#).
- Assess the damage to your trees properly and safely using this guide: [English](#) or [Spanish](#). Do your part!
- Take small amounts of hurricane debris to the [Trash and Recycling Center](#).
- Place large piles of hurricane debris on the right-of-way of your property for collection, away from fences, mailboxes, drains, power lines and low hanging wires.
- Be patient. Due to the high volume of debris that can result from a hurricane, the debris removal process could take longer than normal.



Don'ts:

- Place hurricane debris on a vacant lot.
- Place hurricane debris in front of commercial properties including nurseries and farmland.
- Place non-hurricane related trash on the right-of-way after a hurricane. Listen to media announcements for information on when your waste collection service will resume.
- Take small amounts of hurricane debris to a Neighborhood Trash and Recycling Center.
- Place large piles of debris on the right-of-way of your property - away from fences, mailboxes, drains, power lines and low-hanging wires.

