

PREPARATION CHECKLIST & CONSIDERATIONS

Preparation is key to ensuring your emergency response plans are well executed in the event of a hurricane. Outlined below is a recommended checklist to follow when prepping for hurricane season.

- ✓ **Take warnings seriously:** Put shutters and other hurricane protections in place when advised to do so.

- ✓ **Ensure you have backup power and communications:** This includes generators and satellite phones or other devices. If you need rentals, Global Guardian can assist with these items.

- ✓ **Ensure extra fuel for vehicles and generators:** These should also be secured, locked down, or hidden, as they will become invaluable after a storm.

- ✓ **Gather important supplies, including:**
 - ▶ Solar-powered lights and phone chargers
 - ▶ Basic, battery-operated FM radio to receive news such as food distribution centers and available emergency services
 - ▶ At least 60 days of prescription medication
 - ▶ Flash lights/headlamps
 - ▶ Spare batteries
 - ▶ Extra glasses/contacts
 - ▶ Sandbags
 - ▶ Medical kits (be sure to keep close and waterproof)
 - ▶ Medical supplies, including masks and thermometers
 - ▶ Nonperishable food
 - ▶ Bottled water
 - ▶ Empty bottles (gallons of milk, juice, etc.) to fill with tap water and be used as drinking water
 - ▶ Clean-up materials such as machetes, work gloves, chainsaws, and axes
 - ▶ Spare vehicle tires (roads will be covered with sharp debris such as nails)
 - ▶ Fans for cooling and drying saturated parts of the building/home after the storm passes

- ✓ **Prior to the storm, be sure to:**
 - ▶ Fill a bathtub with water for flushing the toilet
 - ▶ Have a backup plan in place, which includes: Where you will go if your home is breached by wind/water or destroyed, and identify where the nearest evacuation center is
 - ▶ Wear boots or shoes during and after the storm, no sandals or flip flops
 - ▶ Be prepared to move quickly if the home needs to be evacuated
 - ▶ Prepare emergency power sources & an emergency kit
 - ▶ Be sure to use water-proof containers to store everything. Contact your local fire department, and power and water companies if you use any electric-powered medical equipment at home

- ✓ **After the storm, please consider:** A return to your water-damaged home or business may require an N95 mask, which is needed for those entering spaces with mold.