

ATTENTION
**Mobile Home, Travel Trailer &
R.V. Occupants**

*The Monroe County Code of Ordinances Section
6-16.1, H 103, requires that:*

- A. All Mobile homes shall be tied down at all times that they are located in Monroe County except those models in sales yards which shall be required to be tied down from June 1 to November 30 in any calendar year or at any other time an official hurricane watch is declared.
- B. All Travel Trailers shall be tied down at all times from June 1 to November 30 in any calendar year or at any time an official hurricane watch is declared.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the owner of the property, or the operator of a Mobile Home or Travel Trailer with these requirements and for said owner or operator to furnish all necessary ground anchors.
- D. Mobile Homes or Travel Trailers on Private Lots must also comply with this ordinance

REMEMBER

***IT IS NOT SAFE FOR ANYONE TO REMAIN IN A
MOBILE HOME, TRAVEL TRAILER OR RVs
UNDER ANY HURRICANE CONDITIONS.***

***WHEN AN EVACUATION IS ISSUED, ALL
MANUFACTURED / MOBILE HOME RESIDENTS
MUST EVACUATE REGARDLESS OF
LOCATION, STRUCTURE OR TIE-DOWN.***

*For additional Hurricane Information log on to
www.monroecounty-fl.org*

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Emergency Management

**Hurricane Procedures
For
Mobile Homes,
Travel Trailers,
and
Recreational Vehicles
(R.V.s)**



**Emergency Information Hotline:
800.955.5504**

HURRICANE PROCEDURES FOR MOBILE HOMES, TRAVEL TRAILERS, AND R.V.s

I. PURPOSE

Mobile Homes, Travel Trailers, and R.V.'s are particularly vulnerable to hurricane force winds. In a hurricane emergency, they can pose a dangerous threat to both their occupants and others around them. Owners or occupants of these facilities should observe the following procedures in the designated time frames.

II. ACTIONS

A. Hurricane Season (Jun. 1- Nov. 30)

1. Residents who plan on being gone from the area should do the following before leaving:
 - Check tie-downs
 - Put up storm shutters
 - Shut off water, electric & LP gas
 - Lower any TV masts, antennas, or towers
 - Take all valuables with you.
 - Notify manager that you will not be in the area during Hurricane season.
2. If residents are aware that a neighbor is leaving and he does not properly secure his property, it is recommended that he is made aware of his obligations to himself and the liability to his neighbors. Unsecured property may result in damage to neighbors or their property.
3. Residents remaining in the area during hurricane season should be aware that all persons living in a Mobile Home, Travel Trailer, or R.V. will be ordered to evacuate whenever a hurricane threatens their area.
4. **NOTE:** ALL RVs will be ordered to evacuate the county to the mainland for ALL Hurricanes

PROCEDURES Cont.

B. Plan Early by choosing:

1. To evacuate the County, and if so, to leave early.
2. To remain (only for Category 1 or 2) and seek shelter with a friend or a Monroe County designated shelter.

C. Hurricane Watch

1. Owners of vehicles should keep their fuel tanks full, check overall maintenance, and be **READY TO EVACUATE TO THE MAINLAND WHEN ORDERED.**
2. Listen to Local radio stations & NOAA weather radios for weather advisories.

D. Hurricane Warning – Hurricane Conditions are expected within a specific coastal area within 24 hours or less.

1. For Category 3 or greater you should already have left for the mainland.
2. For Category 1 and 2 **ONLY:**
 - Secure your residence and leave.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO A MONROE COUNTY SHELTER

Eat First, and bring non-perishable foods, including any special diet or baby foods (and formulas) you may need. You may bring coolers with food and drinks, but **NO ALCOHOL** will be allowed. Bring Bedding (sleeping Bags, pillows & Blankets). Bring personal sanitary items including changes of clothing, towels, toiletries, and diapers. Bring any medicines you may need. You must be able to self-administer all medication. Bring any toys, games, radios, flashlights (no Candles or lanterns). Remember, pets are **NOT** allowed in Monroe County Shelters.

IF seeking Shelter at the Mainland – please refer to:
[Brochure Hurricane Evacuation Route to FIU.](#)

EVACUATION

Evacuation is a slow, frustrating, time consuming experience. It is not, however, dangerous. Evacuees exercise extreme caution in traffic, because they do not wish to lose their means of transportation. Provisions have been made to close US 1 and move remaining evacuees into the safest structures available, as weather conditions deteriorate. **You will not be caught on the highway in Monroe County during landfall of any hurricane.** Remember these important points, while evacuating.

- Be prepared
- Select destination before leaving
- Take maps of destination & evacuation route.
- Maintain the posted speed limit
- Monitor local media for Emergency Management updates
- Fill your car's tank with gas, first.
- Check all fluid levels in your car.
- Check your spare tire & tire equipment
- Take adequate supply of food & water.
- Have sufficient cash to meet immediate needs

Dangerous winds can often precede a hurricane by many hours. All persons evacuating with a large vehicle and those persons planning to tow a trailer or boat are required to leave prior to an evacuation order. Later in evacuation, these vehicles will be removed from traffic.