GOLDEN BAY
TOWERS

RESIDENT REFERENCE

Hurricane & Storm Preparedness

Keep this where you can find it. Atlantic hurricane season runs June 1 to November 30 and peaks in September. Nothing here replaces an emergency instruction issued by the Board at the time.

01 Before the season

- Carry a **"walls-in" policy** comparable to an HO-6 unit-owners form. The Association's master policy does not cover the interior of your apartment. House Rule 8(a)(v)
- Keep a copy of your declarations page somewhere you can reach it if you are not in Florida.
- Confirm your telephone, email, off-season address, and emergency contact are current in the resident portal. In a storm the building uses what is on file.
- Look up our evacuation zone and know it before a storm is named.
- Make sure your locks are keyed to the building master, so the Association can reach your apartment in an emergency. House Rule 12(b)–(c)

02 When a storm is forecast

- **Clear balconies and terraces entirely.** Furniture, planters, umbrellas, and décor all become projectiles. Nothing loose should remain outdoors.
- Keep several days of water, non-perishable food, medication, cash, and batteries on hand. Charge devices before the system arrives.
- **Boat owners:** when an official watch or warning affects the area, all boats must be removed from the marina immediately. Arrange it early — county haul-out capacity disappears within hours. House Rule 15(g)
- Expect elevator service to be suspended ahead of high winds and until the equipment is inspected afterward. Plan for stairs, and tell the Board in advance if you will need assistance.
- Do not stage bulky items outdoors. Municipal collection stops, and the item becomes a hazard.

03 If your apartment will be vacant

- **Shut off the main water line** in the apartment whenever it will be vacant for an extended period. House Rule 7(b)
- **Leave the air conditioning operable, set to 78°F.** A closed, unconditioned apartment in a South Florida summer grows mould with remarkable speed.
- Arrange inspection during your absence with the Superintendent or a third-party service.
- A third-party service must be confirmed with the Board **48 hours in advance** and escorted by the Superintendent or a Board member.
- **Never give keys or fob access to a third party.**

04 After the storm

- Report leaks, standing water, damage, or unusual odours through the resident portal as soon as it is safe.
- Do not use elevators until the building confirms they have been inspected and returned to service.
- Photograph any damage inside your apartment before moving or repairing anything — your carrier will ask.
- Treat any downed line as live and keep away from it.

Autumn king tides

The highest tides of the year arrive in the autumn and reach us without any storm at all: the elevated tide backs up through the storm drainage and **floods the parking lot**, usually in the morning. When one is forecast, move your vehicle to higher ground on the lot the evening before, and allow extra time getting in and out of the neighbourhood.

IN AN EMERGENCY

Dial 911

Then report the matter to the Board through the resident portal.

EVERYTHING ELSE

goldenbaytowers.com/portal

Notices, documents, work orders, and all correspondence with the Board.

OFFICIAL SOURCES

National Hurricane Center · nhc.noaa.gov

Broward County Hurricane & evacuation zones · broward.org/hurricane

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