

Instructions for hurricane preparation and personnel onsite during storm

Following are some safety instructions for preparing for hurricanes and for personnel who will be in the shipyard during the storms. Employees not remaining in the shipyard during severe storms should still read this information as it may also apply at home.

- Watch what you secure items to. Do not secure items to electrical conduit or gas lines.
- Do not place sandbags in positions that will prevent exit doors from opening. Sandbags should be stacked in a manner to allow the exit door to swing through its complete arc. If it is necessary to block an exit with sandbags, all persons must be evacuated from the building first.
- During periods of high winds, be careful when opening exterior doors. We have had employees injured when wind has unexpectedly caught doors that were being opened or closed.
- Do not attempt to secure items you observe moving due to wind, especially items with sail surfaces. We have had employees picked-up and thrown as they tried to secure such items.
- Be sure to use personal protective equipment (PPE) if you are outside during high winds. Eye and head protection is especially needed to help protect you from airborne material and debris. These items should be worn even in outside areas where PPE is not normally required.
- Do not go outside during periods of high wind unless absolutely necessary. Do not go sight-seeing.
- If you must go outside during the storm, be sure to let someone know your plans and the time you expect to return. If possible, use the buddy system when going outside.