

Before-the-Storm Photo Checklist

Room by room: what to photograph and video before a hurricane.

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Exterior: all four sides

- ☐ Stand back far enough to show each full side of the home: front, back, left, right.
- ☐ Get close-ups of siding, stucco, trim, soffits, fascia and gutters.
- ☐ Photograph the driveway, walkways and landscaping, plus any existing cracks.

Roof (from the ground, never climb)

- ☐ Shoot each roof slope from the ground or a safe window; zoom in on shingles or tiles, vents and flashing.
- ☐ Note the roof's age or install year if you know it.

Windows, doors and shutters

- ☐ Every window and exterior door, open and closed, plus seals and frames.
- ☐ Shutters or impact glass installed, with labels or stickers if visible.
- ☐ Garage door, tracks and its rating label if there is one.

Fences, pool and screen enclosure

- ☐ Fences and gates on every run.
- ☐ Pool, pool deck, pump and heater; screen enclosure panels and frame.
- ☐ Sheds, docks, outdoor kitchens, A/C condensers and generators.

Every interior room: slow video pan

- ☐ Walk each room slowly with video: walls, then contents, then the floor.
- ☐ Say the date, the address and the room name out loud as you record.
- ☐ Open closets and cabinets.

Ceilings and floors

- ☐ Photograph each ceiling, including existing stains (so new damage is clear).
- ☐ Floors: wood, tile, carpet. Capture baseboards and transitions.

Appliances: model and serial numbers

- ☐ Photograph the label on the refrigerator, washer, dryer, range, dishwasher, water heater, A/C air handler and TVs.
- ☐ Get a wide shot of each appliance in place as well.

Valuables and receipts

- ☐ Jewelry, electronics, art, collectibles, tools and bikes.
- ☐ Receipts, appraisals and warranty cards. A photo of a receipt is better than none.

Garage and vehicles

- ☐ Garage contents, shelving, tools and freezers.
- ☐ Vehicles on all sides, including the VIN plate and odometer.

Your policy declarations page

- ☐ Photograph or scan every page of the declarations page, plus any windstorm or flood policy.
- ☐ Note the hurricane deductible dollar amount shown on the declarations page.

Back it up, date it, keep the originals

- ☐ Turn on automatic cloud backup (iCloud, Google Photos, Dropbox, OneDrive) and confirm the upload finished.
- ☐ Keep your phone's date and time stamp on; it is stored in the file metadata.
- ☐ Email a few key photos to yourself as a second dated copy.
- ☐ Keep the original files. Do not edit, crop or filter them; copies are fine to share.

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