



Keystone at Meadow Woods

November 2023 Newsletter

DWD Upcoming Holiday Hours

Please be advised that the offices for DWD Professional Management will be closed on **Thursday, November 23, 2023** and **Friday, November 24, 2023** in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.



Also, be advised that the offices for DWD Professional Management will be partially closed during the last two weeks of December and the first week in January in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The week of December 18th, we will be closed on **Thursday, December 21, 2023** and **Friday, December 22, 2023**. During the week of December 25th, we will be closed on

Monday, December 25th and **Tuesday, December 26th**. Finally, during the first week of January, we will be closed on **Monday, January 1, 2024**. We wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season!



Approved Budget Requests

If you are interested in obtaining copies of the Approved Budgets for your community, please feel free to review the document on the community website using the following link:
<http://www.keystoneatmeadowwoodshoa.com/budgets.html>



Please direct all concerns to the management company. For ARB requests, please go to the Association's website, www.keystoneatmeadowwoodshoa.com. Click on "Resident Services" then "Online Forms." Fill out and submit the form prior to making any exterior modifications to your home.

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Monthly Assessment Reminder

Keystone at Meadow Woods HOA has adjusted the monthly assessment to \$333.25 starting October 2023 due to the increase in the insurance cost.

Payments are due on the 1st of each month. Payments received after the 15th of each month will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee. Also, if there is a balance on the last day of the month, the account will accrue interest (January-December).

If you need to check your account balance, you may do so on the owner's online portal or you may contact the management company.



Association Payments Via the Payment Portal with South State and Payment Reminders

If you have set-up automatic payments through the on-line payment system with South State Bank, please be aware that DWD Professional Management does not have access to that system and any updates needed must be made directly by you. If you have made any errors in terms of the amount of your payment or the frequency of your payment, please login into the

portal to make any necessary revisions. Go to schedule payments, cancel the current request, and start a new request with the correct payment amount and/or frequency.

Please also be aware that all on-line payments take 2 to 3 business days for processing before they are applied to your account.

In addition, the on-line payment system is a payment portal only. This system is not connected to the account system with the management company. The payment portal does not have any information regarding your current account balance. If you need your account balance or a full detailed payment history report, you must contact the management company directly.

Finally, please be aware that DWD Professional Management does not send payment reminders by text or email. If you are receiving payment reminders through text or email, this is because you have signed up for it through the online payment portal. If you have signed up for the reminders in error, please login into the portal. Go to notifications and cancel/edit the request and make any changes needed or set-up a new request. If you have any questions or concerns about the on-line payment portal, please contact the management office for assistance.

Suspicious Activity

We want our community to be a safe and peaceful place, and it will take a group effort to make this

happen. Reporting suspicious activity help the Sheriff's Department know which areas are in need of additional patrols. We urge everyone to be alert and to report any suspicious activity to the Orange County Sheriff's Department at 407-836-4357.

The Sheriff's Department is the only organization charged with the protection of your property, and they are the only organization with the authority to approach and stop these people and their activities.



New Upgraded Owner Access Platform - Enumerate

We are pleased to announce that the owner online platform has been upgraded and we will be sending you a new registration email to the email address on file with our office by the end of next week. This new platform will replace the previous online portal and will provide you with additional features and information. With your Internet-enabled device, you will be able to view your current account balance, check your payment history, view your open records (violations, work orders, and service requests), view announcements and alerts for the community, link multiple

properties under the same login, and more!

To ensure your privacy, only homeowners whose email address is on file have received a registration email. If you have not provided your email, please send your information to info@dwdp.com and include your community's name and property address within the community. Once your email address has been opted into the system, you will receive an email to register. For security purposes, a return email will be sent to confirm you are the owner of that email account. The link to the new portal is as follows:

[Portal - Login \(goenumerate.com\)](#)

Please check your SPAM folder as it may be filtered automatically. After you click the link in the confirmation email you can create your password and your account will be registered. You will then be able to log into your account using your email address and the password you created when you registered. Please make sure to use Google Chrome which is the preferred web browser for the platform.

We encourage everyone to utilize the new on-line access platform in order to review your property account and obtain community information.

Use of Bouncy Houses

Please be advised that the use of bouncy houses in multi-family housing such as Keystone is **NOT**

permitted. All of the outside areas belong to the Association and are considered common area property. If someone were to get hurt, the Association could be held liable and the Association's insurance does not cover this activity. In addition, common area property could be destroyed or damaged. Therefore, bouncy houses are not permitted and should not be installed in any area within the community. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

2024 Assessment Information

On Thursday, September 21st, the Board of Directors held their Budget meeting to discuss the proposed budget for 2024. After much consideration, the Board voted to increase the monthly assessment next year. Due to the current and expected rise in the costs for insurance, this increase was needed in order to balance your budget for 2024. **Therefore, your assessment will increase to \$354.56 per month for 2024.** You should receive your new coupon booklets in early December from the Association's bank. If you do not receive your coupon booklet by mid-December, please contact the management office for assistance.

We have added an informational video to the community website, regarding the current insurance crisis in the Sunshine State. The video is a complementary Becker webinar with insurance experts to offer their legal, legislative and

insurance industry insider. The link to view and access the video is as follows:

<http://keystoneatmeadowwoods.hoa.weebly.com/community-association-informational-videos.html>.

Water Usage - Please Conserve

Please be aware that due to many more people working from home, water usage has dramatically increased over the last couple of years within the community. **We ask that all residents conserve water as much as possible and repair leaking sinks or toilets.**

We also ask that you do not participate in water intensive activities that are against community rules and guidelines. For example, you may not use outdoor pools, water the grass outside your unit, or wash your vehicles. Outdoor pools not only use large amounts of water, they also pose a liability threat to the community since they are located on Association property and they are a danger to children due to possible drowning. Therefore, the use of these pools is strictly prohibited.

Please be aware that the grass is already watered using the Association's irrigation wells. The use of the wells for irrigation does not cost the Association money through Orange County Utilities. However, when you use a spigot and a hose to water the grass outside of your unit, you are costing the Association hundreds if not thousands of dollars in

utility bills. If you are concerned about an area that may need water, please contact our office so we can have Keystone's handyman repair the irrigation near your unit.

Finally, washing your car in the community parking lot is also prohibited. Cleaning a car uses an extensive amount of water. Therefore, it is not permitted under any circumstances.

If you are found engaging in any of these activities, the Board may fine your unit or take legal action against the owner if needed.

Please conserve water to the best of your ability since the increase in water usage has already required that the Association increase monthly assessments to cover these rising costs. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in this important matter. Thank you.

Hurricane Season

Hurricane season began on **Thursday, June 1st** and will continue through the end of **November**. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is predicting a near normal season this year with between 12 to 17 total named storms (winds 39 mph or higher) of which 5-9 may become hurricanes (winds 74 mph or higher) including 1 to 4 major hurricanes (category 3, 4, or 5; with winds of 111 mph or higher). Therefore, please take the time now to prepare your home and your family for hurricane season. Please see the pages below for

additional information about hurricane preparedness provided by HIG Insurance. The Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH) also issued a brochure for the hurricane season. Please use the following link to access this information:

<https://hurricanestrong.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/5-22-23-HurricaneStrong-Family-Guide-Guide.pdf>.

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| Arlene | Gert | Margot | Tammy |
| Bret | Harold | Nigel | Vince |
| Cindy | Idalia | Ophelia | Whitney |
| Don | Jose | Philippe | |
| Emily | Katia | Rina | |
| Franklin | Lee | Sean | |

* New names in 2023 replacing Harvey, Irma, Maria and Nate

Procedure for Reporting Maintenance Issues

If you are renting your unit in the community, please be aware that **all maintenance issues should first be reported to your landlord or property management company.** Your landlord or property management representative should then contact the community management office to make arrangements for the repair. If you are an owner in the community, please contact the community management office to report any maintenance concerns or issues. We will help you determine if the repair is your responsibility to correct or if it is the responsibility of the Association.

Finally, please remember that the community management

office is not open over the weekend or during national holidays. If you have a maintenance emergency during a weekend or during a holiday, you may leave a message and the community management staff will contact you on the next business day. By following these guidelines, you will greatly assist the staff in providing more efficient service. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Please Pick-up After Your Pets and Keep Pets on a Leash at All Times

We understand that many of the residents in our community are pet owners. Owning a pet is a wonderful experience and it brings many joys to you as well. However, having a 4-legged addition to your family also brings many responsibilities.

If your new bundle of joy happens to be a dog, then one of the responsibilities is picking up after your pet. When you live in a community, you cannot just let your dog out and then close the door. **Your pet must be on a leash at all times, and any pet waste MUST be picked up and disposed of in a waste receptacle.** This is not only a community rule; it is an Orange County ordinance as well. The Association has installed several doggy stations throughout the community for your convenience. Please use these receptacles to dispose of any dog waste. Dog

waste is a hazardous substance and causes damage to grass and may spread illnesses to others.

It is also extremely important that your dog is on a leash for the protection of other animals and for the protection of people (especially children) who may encounter your pet within the community. Keeping your dog on a leash is also a protection for your pet since it safeguards them from dangerous situations.

If you see a dog unattended within the community, please notify **Orange County Animal Control** at the following number: **407-836-3111**. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.



Please Drive Safely

It has been observed that some of the residents and many visitors are driving way too fast in the community. The posted speed limit in the community is **10 miles per hour**. Anyone caught speeding may be fined by the Board for their activities. Also, please be aware that residents have expressed their concern for the speeding because many children walk in the parking lots. We are all concerned about the safety of the children especially now that school is back in session.

Thank you for your understanding concerning these issues.

Pool Rules and the Pool Security System – Please Do Not Stay Past Dusk

Please be advised that the pool closes at sundown (dusk) every day. No unauthorized people may enter the pool after this time nor may they stay in the pool area after dusk even if they arrived prior to sundown. Many people ask why the Association has chosen to close the pool at sundown. The answer is simple.

We did NOT choose this time. The State of Florida decided this for us! *Since there is not enough light per State guidelines, we must close the pool when the sun goes down.* We have had several instances recently of Envera Security needing to ask residents to leave the area at or after dusk. Therefore, please ensure that you leave the pool area at the appropriate time.

Next, there is a list of pool rules located in the pool area. Please take a minute and review these rules. One of the most important rules is the age limit for use. If you are under the age limit, ***you may NOT use the pool without a parent or guardian being present.*** This rule will be strictly enforced when personnel are present in order to ensure the safety of the children in our community. Accidental drowning in a swimming pool is a leading cause of death in Florida for

children. Please be advised there are no lifeguards at the pool, and the maintenance personnel are **not** trained in CPR or pool safety. Failure to comply with the Pool Rules may also result in you being asked to leave the area.

Please be aware that Envera Security system monitors the pool every evening after dusk. Therefore, anyone found at the pool from dusk to dawn will be asked to leave by Envera Security. Envera will call the Orange County Sheriff's Department if necessary. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter. If you have any additional concerns or questions regarding this issue, please contact the management office.

Parking Permits and Parking Regulations

If your vehicle does not have a proper parking permit for our community, you run the risk of your car being towed. Since November 1, 2011, all vehicles without a proper resident parking permit or a visitor's pass are to be towed **without warning** from the parking lots **at the owner's expense**.

Per the rules of your community, there are only two (2) parking spots per unit. Visitors are to use the designated spaces provided at all times of the day and they **MUST** place a visitor's pass on the rearview mirror when visiting from 12 AM – 6 AM. **Residents should park in resident spaces only.** **We ask**

that you use the spaces that are numbered with your unit's address that are located directly in front of your unit, however, residents may park in ANY resident space. However, residents may NOT park in visitor's spaces. Residents who park in visitor's spaces are subject to towing.

If you have more than two cars, you may find additional parking by asking one of your neighbors if they have another parking spot available. Some owners only have one car and they may "donate" a spot to you. These owners are under no obligation to do so. If an owner would like to donate one of their parking spaces to you, we must have their permission in writing. Please contact our office if you need more information. Please be aware that if you do not find another owner to donate a parking spot to you, you must remove the vehicle from the community's parking lot or be subject to towing. **Finally, please be advised that under NO circumstances may a resident rent their donated space to you or receive any fees for donating their extra space.** The parking lot belongs to the Association. Therefore, a resident may not charge for the use of one of their parking spaces. If the Association determines that you are taking part in this type of activity, the matter will be turned over to the Association's attorney for further action.

All owners who rent their units must inform their tenants of the requirement to have these

parking permits **BEFORE** the tenants move into the unit. Also, if you purchase a new vehicle, please use your visitor's pass temporarily until you can make arrangements with the management company to obtain a new parking permit.

Please remember that it is your responsibility to obtain the proper permits for your vehicles. This provides a protection for all homeowners and tenants. We want to keep our parking lots available for only those vehicles that are authorized.

If you need a parking permit, you may obtain the parking permits from our management office. The address is 9419 Tradeport Drive, Orlando, FL 32827. We will need a copy of your driver's license (for each vehicle), your vehicle registration (for each vehicle), and a copy of your lease if you are renting. Parking permits are always free.

In addition, please be aware that your car may also be towed if you do not follow the parking regulations. **The towing company will be patrolling the parking lots looking for the following types of vehicles in violation of the parking regulations:**

- All commercial vehicles (this includes cars/trucks with ladder racks, pipe racks, magnetic signs or lettering in the windows)
- Vehicles that do not have the proper parking permits. (This includes cars using inactive parking

permits - permits that have been designated as inactive since they belong to a previous resident or a car that was sold by a current resident)

- Boats, or any other recreational vehicles
- Trailers
- Vehicles without license plates or with expired license plates
- Vehicles that are parked on the grass
- Vehicles that are double parked (parked behind cars which are parked in parking spaces or cars parked in more than one parking space)
- Vehicles parked in front of and/or blocking fire hydrants
- Clearly disabled and inoperable vehicles that have not moved for 72 hours or more

Finally, if your vehicle or a vehicle of a guest is towed due to a violation of the parking rules and regulations, you should **contact the towing company to resolve the situation.** The Board has not authorized the management company to make ANY exceptions to the parking rules and regulations. If you do not have a parking permit or visitor's pass or if you violate any other parking rules, you will be towed **at your own expense and will not be reimbursed for any reason.** The towing company's contact information is as follows: Universal Towing and Recovery, 407-816-0102.

No Fishing in Ponds

It has been observed that there are individuals fishing in the ponds surrounding the community. This is strictly prohibited. Eating the fish from these ponds is not healthy for several reasons. First, most of the fish in the drainage ponds around Central Florida are genetically modified carp. They have been bred so that they are sterile and cannot breed if they escape the pond and enter other waterways around the area. Another reason you should never eat the fish from these ponds is that these ponds are designed for the drainage of water off of the roads in the area. These waters are polluted with motor oil, radiator fluid, transmission fluid, brake fluid and any other fluid that may leak from a vehicle.

Finally, even if you plan to “catch and release” the fish, you are on private property and do not have the Association’s or the County’s permission to fish on the property. The insurance policy for our community does not cover any accidents that may occur from these types of activities.

Finally, these ponds may contain dangerous wildlife such as poisonous snakes or alligators. Therefore, for your safety, please obey the “No Fishing” signs and refrain from fishing in the community’s or the County’s ponds. If you see anyone fishing in the pond, please contact the Orange County Sheriff’s

Department on their non-emergency line at 407-836-4357.



Pool Keys

If you need to obtain a pool fob for the community pool, please contact the management office at info@dwdpm.com or 407-251-2200. The management office will arrange a time for you to pick up your key fob at their office located at 9419 Tradeport Drive, Orlando, Florida 32827. Pool fobs cost \$20.00 each.

Accepted methods of payment are check or money order made payable to Keystone at Meadow Woods HOA.

Please bring the following with you to the management office in order to receive your pool key fob:

Owners: You must bring a photo ID
Renters: You must bring a photo ID and a copy of your current lease agreement.

Noise Issues - Please be Respectful to Your Neighbors

Please be aware that Orange County Sheriff’s Office does not have any set time for enforcing noise complaints. The Disturbance of the Peace Statute is enforceable any time of the night or day. If a resident feels that his or her peace is being disturbed, all he or she has to do is call the Sheriff’s Department to

file a complaint. Once that is done, the Orange County Sheriff’s Department will send an officer to request that the responsible party tone down their gathering. If a second request is made concerning the same disturbance, the responding officer may arrest the responsible party. Please be considerate and respectful of your neighbors so that the Sheriff’s Department is not needed to handle these types of situations. **The Board is requesting all residents to move parties inside after 11 PM to help with these noise issues.** We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

No Trash or Storage of Items on Patios or at Front Entrances

It has come to the Board’s attention that residents are storing items on their rear patios or at their front door areas. This is not allowed per the Community rules.

The front door areas are to remain free of any furniture, trash, garbage bags or children’s toys. Please be aware that these areas are under the Architectural Control of the Association. **Any items placed in the front door area without an approved Architectural Review can be removed by the Association and a removal fee may be added to your account.**

The back-patio area, even if is covered with a screen enclosure may **not** be used for storage. The

only thing that may be placed in a screen enclosure room is patio furniture items. These areas are not meant for the storage of boxes, trash, used car parts, old tires, broken electronics, or anything else other than the items mentioned above.

We will be conducting an inspection of the property next month. If your front door area or back patio is currently being used for storage, you will receive a violation notice to remove these items.

Thank you for your understanding concerning this issue. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the management office.

Towing Company Location and Contact Number

Please be advised that the Association's towing company, **Universal Towing and Recovery**, is located at 206 6th Street, Lot 300 Orlando, Florida 32824. Their phone number is 407-816-0102.

Please remember that the management company is not responsible for towing.

Therefore, if you have any questions regarding the towing of your vehicle, please contact Universal Towing and Recovery directly. Do not contact the management company.

Use of Gas and Charcoal Grills

Please be advised that the use of gas and charcoal grills in multi-family housing such as Keystone is strictly regulated by the County and the Association. These grills may not under any circumstances be used in the units, in the parking areas, or on any of the porches or patios within 10 feet of the building. Their use is restricted to the open areas of the Association, at least 10 feet away from the buildings and any other flammable structure. Your cooperation regarding this matter and the safety of the community is greatly appreciated.

Master Policy Insurance Information

If your mortgage lender requires information regarding the Association's master insurance policy, please refer them to our insurance company, Academy Insurance Agency. Your lender may reach Academy by phone at 941-758-4600, by fax at 941-751-9232, or by email at w.mahler@academyins.net.

Please be advised that the master insurance policy **does not cover** the inside of your unit. You should carry insurance to cover all items not covered by the master insurance policy. Please contact Academy Insurance Agency if you have any questions about what the master insurance policy covers for the community.

Reporting Street Light Outages

If you notice a street light out on your street, please call Duke Energy at 407-629-1010 to report the street name or section where the light is located. You may also visit the following website to report the outage:

<https://www.duke-energy.com/customer-service/request-light-repair>.

Please contact the management office if you need assistance or if you have any questions.



Community Services Phone Numbers

Emergency

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| Fire, Police, Medical Emergency | 911 |
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Law Enforcement

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| Orange County Sheriff's Dept. (Non-Emergency) | 407-836-4357 |
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Utilities

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| Orange County Utilities | 407-836-5515 |
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Chamber of Commerce

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| Orlando Chamber of Commerce | 407-425-1234 |
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Miscellaneous

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| Orange County Public Schools | 407-317-3200 |
| Orange County Office of Emergency Management | 407-836-9140 |
| Orange County Health Department | 407-858-1400 |
| Florida Poison Information Center | 800-222-1222 |
| Orange County Public Library | 407-836-7390 |
| Social Security Administration | 800-772-1213 |
| Orange County Voters' Registration Office | 407-836-2070 |
| Orange County Animal Services | 407-836-3111 |

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MAIL OR EMAIL FORM TO: 9419 Tradeport Drive, Orlando, FL 32827
PHONE: 407-251-2200 FAX: 800-759-1820 EMAIL: info@dwdpm.com

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (ARB) APPLICATION

Owner Name: _____ Tenant Name: _____
Property Address: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone(s) Home: _____ Work _____ E-mail: _____

In Accordance with the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and the Association's Rule and Regulations, Installation must conform to this approval and the Association's guidelines.

I hereby request consent to make the following changes, alteration, renovations and /or additions to my property.

- () Fence () Swimming Pool () Lawn Ornament () Screen Enclosure () Landscaping
() Patio () Exterior Color () Lawn Replacement () Other _____

Description: _____

Attach two (2) copies of the property survey that shows the locations of the proposed change, alteration, renovation or addition.

Attach two (2) drawings of your plan(s). Attach two (2) color samples, if applicable.

NOTE: Applications submitted by fax or without two (2) copies of the survey, drawing, or color sample will be considered incomplete. If an application is incomplete, it will not be processed and will be returned to you.

I hereby understand and agree to the following conditions.

- 1. No work will begin until written approval is received from the Association. You have 60 days from the approval date to complete the work. If not, then you must reapply for ARB approval.
2. All work will be done expeditiously once commenced and will be done in a professional manner by a licensed contractor or myself.
3. All work will be performed timely and in a manner that will minimize interference and inconvenience to other residents.
4. I assume all liability and will be responsible for any and all damages to other lots and/or common area, which may result from performance of this work.
5. I will be responsible for the conduct of all persons, agents, contractors, subcontractors and employees who are connected with this work.
6. I am responsible for complying with all applicable federal, state and local laws, codes, regulations and requirements in connection with this work. I will obtain any necessary governmental permits and approval for the work.
7. Upon receipt DWD Professional Management, LLC will forward the ARB Application to the Association. A decision by the Association may take up to 30 days. I will be notified in writing when the application is either approved or denied.

ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FOLLOWING THE RULES AND GUIDELINES OF THEIR ASSOCIATION WHEN MAKING ANY EXTERIOR MODIFICATIONS.

Signature of Owner(s): _____ Date: _____

DO Not Write Below This Line

This Application is hereby: () Approved () Denied
Date: _____ Signature: _____

Comments: _____

Date Received _____ Mailed to Assoc. _____ Mailed to Owner _____

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS PLAN



Supply Kit Checklist

Water

- One gallon of drinking water per person per day for at least three to seven days
- One gallon of water for each person per day for cooking and personal hygiene
- Don't forget water for your pets!

Ice

- Freeze water in zip-type freezer bags and two-liter soda jugs
- Fill coolers with ice. Ice can be used to preserve food once the power goes out

Food

- Non-perishable packaged or canned food to last at least three to seven days
- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables:
 - Canned or boxed juice
 - Canned or boxed milk
 - Cereal
 - Soup
 - Peanut butter and jelly, granola bars, trail mix
 - Instant coffee or tea
 - Dried fruits and nuts
 - Bread, crackers and cookies
 - Raw Vegetables
 - Fresh fruit
 - Special food for babies and the elderly

For The Home

- Cooler for ice and food storage
- Flashlights with extra batteries or hand-crank flashlights
- Battery or solar powered lanterns
- Battery powered NOAA
- Weather radio with extra batteries or hand-crank radio
- Car charger for mobile phone
- Battery operated digital TV with car charger adapter
- Grill with extra propane, charcoal, or sterno (Outdoor Use Only)
- Matches in waterproof container or butane starter for grill
- Paper plates/bowls/cups, plastic eating utensils, napkins, paper towels, moist towelettes
- Manual can opener and bottle opener
- Cleaning supplies
- Non-scented liquid household chlorine bleach or water purification tablets
- Work gloves
- Duct tape
- Heavy-duty outdoor extension cords
- Waterproof tarps
- Plastic sheeting
- Rope
- Basic tool kit
- Corded phone

- Smoke detectors
- Carbon-monoxide detectors
- Two-way radio if power, terrestrial telephone and cell towers fail
- Fire extinguisher
- Waterproof container or resealable plastic bag to store important papers like insurance, medical, bank, or Social Security documents/numbers
- Cash (without power, credit cards are unusable)
- First Aid Kit
- Two weeks supply of prescription drugs
- Two weeks supply of vitamins
- Over the counter pain reliever
- Antibacterial hand soap
- Toilet paper
- Plastic garbage bags
- Mosquito repellent
- Sunscreen
- Toiletries/Hygiene Items

Health Essentials

- Documentation, license
- Non-perishable food
- Medications
- Water



Your First Aid Kit

A first aid kit should be kept in the home and each automobile and should include:

- Sterile adhesive bandages
- Sterile gauze pads
- Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
- Triangular bandages (3)
- Sterile roller bandages, antibiotic ointment, scissors, tweezers, needle, moistened towelettes, antiseptic, thermometer, tongue blades (2)
- Tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricant
- Assorted sizes of safety pins
- Cleansing agent/soap
- Latex gloves (2 pairs)
- Sunscreen
- Bug repellent
- Aspirin or non-aspirin pain reliever, anti-diarrhea medication, antacid
- Bottled water and other fluids





Hurricane Family Preparedness

- Hold a family meeting
- Discuss the hazards of hurricanes. Encourage children to talk about their fears and explain some of the things you'll be doing to keep everyone safe. Start a written list of things you'll need to take care of and encourage everyone in the family to contribute their ideas.
- Discuss whether you'll need to evacuate
- Determine whether you live in an evacuation zone and, if so, where you will go if an evacuation order is given. Going to a family or friend's house or hotel outside the evacuation area is your best choice. If you choose to go out of town, do so well in advance of the storm. Since shelters provide for only basic needs, this should be your choice of last resort.
- Ensure your assets are protected
- Inventory your home possessions and videotape or photograph items of value. Review your insurance policies to ensure you have adequate coverage.
- Assess your home for vulnerable areas
- Do a walk-through of your home and property to evaluate your roof, windows, garage door, landscaping, etc. and determine what actions you will take.
- Make a plan to protect your vehicles
- Decide where you will store or park your vehicle, boat or RV. Check your vehicle insurance policy and keep it in the same safe place as your homeowner's policy.
- Secure your home
- Decide what actions you will need to take to protect your home and your property (shutters, generator, trim trees), and to keep as comfortable as possible during recovery.
- Discuss whether anyone in your home is elderly or has special needs and, if so, make arrangements in advance to accommodate those needs.

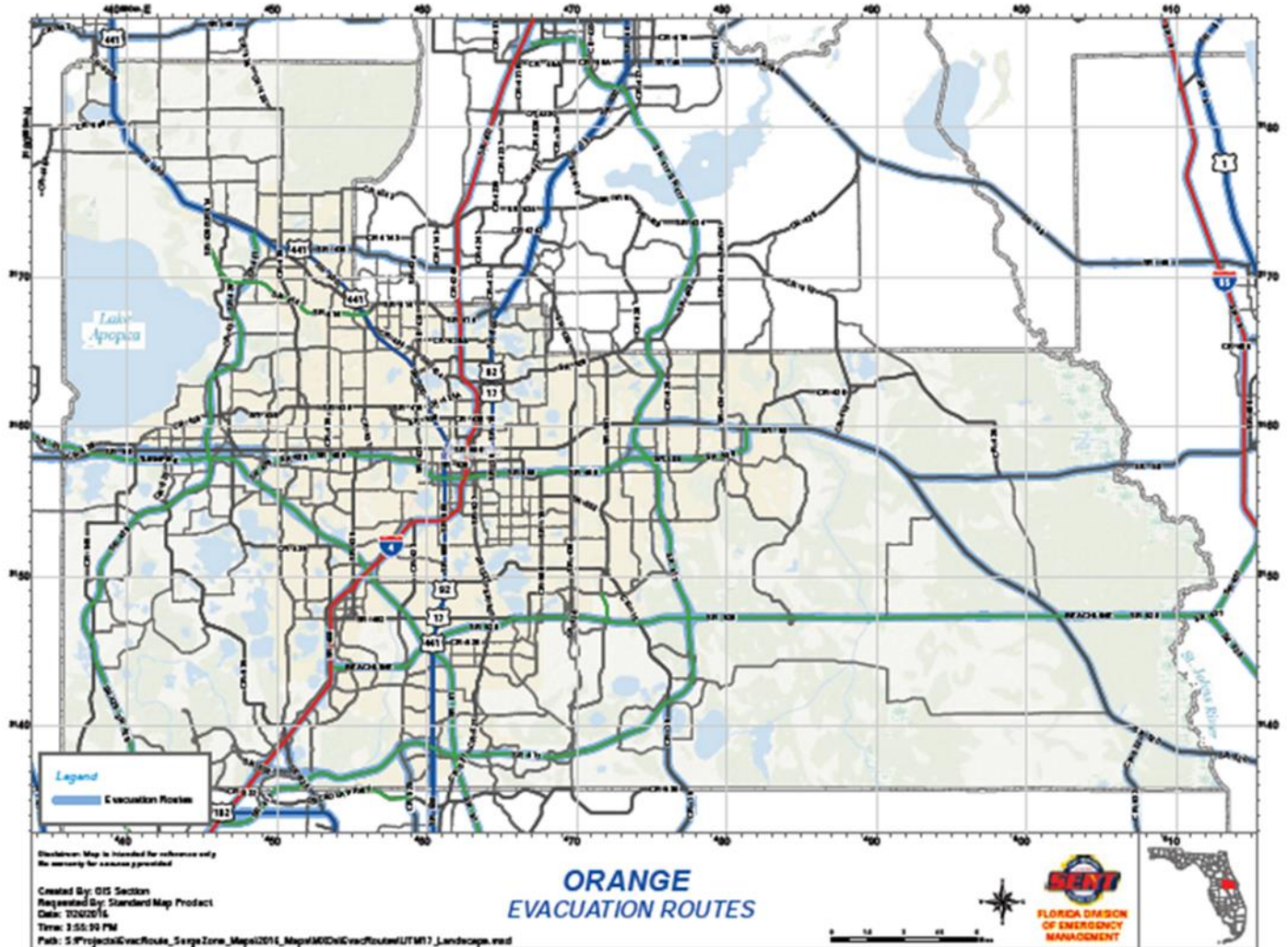


Hurricane Family Preparedness

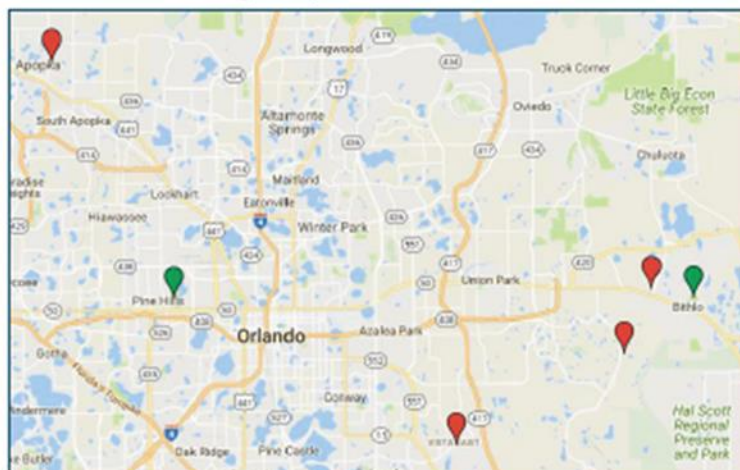
- Determine how you will address your pet's needs and make a plan for your pet in case you have to evacuate. If appropriate, plan for large animals such as horses
- Gather your supplies
- Determine your family's food, water and medical needs and assemble your hurricane kit according to those needs (see sidebar for essential items to include)
- Notify others of your plan
- Let family or friends know what your hurricane plan is so they can check on you in the aftermath of the storm. Establish an out-of-town contact
- Plan ahead for the possibility of becoming separated from your family and friends, whether it is a personal emergency or a larger-scale disaster
- Start by designating a single, out-of-town contact that your family or household members can call, e-mail or text message should a disaster occur. If local phone service is overwhelmed, it may be easier to call outside the area. Your contact should be aware that they are your family's designated contact
- All of your loved ones should agree to call the out-of-town contact to report their whereabouts and welfare
- Regular contact with your designated person will help to keep everyone informed. After initial contact and depending on the circumstances, you might set a specific check-in time
- When telephone lines are busy, e-mails or text messages may go through when calls cannot
- Create an emergency contact list; include phone numbers and e-mail addresses for your designated out-of-town contact, loved ones, neighbors and other emergency numbers such as police, fire and your physician
- Make copies of the list for every family member and print a copy to keep by the phone and with your emergency supplies
- Make sure to secure outside structures and get all outside items and bring everything inside including patio chairs, grills potted plants and balcony items



Orange County Evacuation Zones



Emergency Shelter Locations



November and December 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|-------------------------|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| <i>November</i> | | | 1 Monthly Assessment Due | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 Daylight Savings End | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 Veterans Day/ Remembrance Day |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Grace Period Ends for Monthly Assessment | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23  DWD Office Closed | 24 DWD Office Closed | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| <i>December</i> | | | | | 1 Monthly Assessment Due | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Pearl Harbor Day Hanukkah Begins | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Grace Period Ends for Monthly Assessment | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 First Day of Winter DWD Office Closed | 22 DWD Office Closed | 23 |
| 24 Christmas Eve | 25 DWD Office Closed  | 26 DWD Office Closed | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 New Year's Eve  | | | | | | |