

Preparing for a Hurricane

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Plan and Take Action

To minimize the potential of wind and flood damage to your facility caused by a hurricane, we at Mutual Boiler Re recommend taking precautions such as those outlined below:

- ▶ Check roof drains to make sure they are clear of debris.
- ▶ Check the roof areas and remove any equipment/materials that could become windblown debris.
- ▶ Check around the facility for anything (misc. equipment, trashcans, etc.) that can be windblown debris and move it inside or secure it.
- ▶ Have plywood or hurricane shutters ready to mount over windows.
- ▶ Test any portable generators ahead of time, and make sure there is an adequate fuel supply.
- ▶ Consider shutting down computers, systems and processes to avoid power surge damage caused by erratic electrical supply.
- ▶ Due to possibility that water will leak into building from wind driven rain and storm water, relocate equipment and storage away from basements, windows and ground level doors.
- ▶ Mobilize any of your contractors that maintain the facility and put them on alert in case you need them during or after the storm.
- ▶ Assign someone to monitor the local river for cresting. See helpful links below.
- ▶ Implement your Emergency Response Plan and/or Flood Emergency Response Plan.

Helpful Links

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| U.S. National Weather Service | http://www.nws.noaa.gov/ |
| Real time river flow | http://waterdata.usgs.gov/ |
| Flood warnings and watches | http://water.weather.gov/ahps/ |
| Weather data | http://www.cnn.com/weather |
| Hazard maps and information | http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/hazards.php |