

# Don't GOOF When You Re-Roof®

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Don't Goof Hurricane Recovery  
Be Ready After the Storm – visit [DontGoof.org](http://DontGoof.org)

## BEFORE THE STORM

- Protect People & Property
- Protect Windows-
- Trim Trees, Secure Objects-

Create/Update Your Home Inventory

Stay Informed

Put Your Plan in Action

- Gather All Important Papers
- Insurance Policies-
- Tax returns (3 yrs.) - ID papers-

Evacuate if Ordered

## AFTER THE STORM

*If Your Home is Damaged*

Prevent Further Damage

- Secure Your Property-
- Make Temporary Repairs-

Prepare for Insurance Claims and Disaster Aid

- Document damage-
- Save all receipts-

Avoid Fraud and Scams

- Get 3 bids for any work-
- Check contractor qualifications-

Negotiate with your insurance adjuster

Plan for additional living expenses or loss of use

Use FORTIFIED Standards

Learn how to work with FEMA

# Hurricane Prep

## *Before & After*

What you do now to prepare for a hurricane can determine what happens over the weeks and months ahead. When a major hurricane hits your area, plan to deal with repairs, rebuilding, insurance, and fraud.

**The days before a hurricane are vital** – use these resources from [IBHS](http://IBHS) and [Ready.gov](http://Ready.gov) to prepare, plan, and act to protect your family and home.  
*Be prepared to evacuate if needed.*

**Plan for after the hurricane** – [DontGoof.org](http://DontGoof.org) has resources to help you navigate repairing, rebuilding, insurance claims, building better with [FORTIFIED construction](http://FORTIFIEDconstruction), and FEMA disaster aid. Disasters are stressful, they feel personal, and then, you still have to deal with the outcomes. These resources can help.

Be ready to spot and [avoid contractor fraud](#) and don't take shortcuts when rebuilding. Don't be a victim twice – Get three bids, all contracts in writing, and permits for any work! Check contractor licensing, insurance, and reputations. Be wary of large down payments.

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