Before & After
A Hurricane

Tips to help you better prepare and recover quicker
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Before the Storm
Protect People & Property
Create/Update Your Home Inventory
Stay Informed
Put Your Plan in Action
Gather All Important Papers
EVACUATE IF ORDERED

Hurricane Prep
Before & After
What you do now to prepare can determine what happens during your recovery. When a major hurricane hits, plan to deal with repairs, rebuilding, insurance, and fraud.

The days before a hurricane are vital; use resources from IBHS and Ready.gov to prepare, plan and act to protect your family and home. Evacuate if needed.

Plan for after the hurricane. DontGoof.org/reroof can help you navigate repairing, rebuilding, and building back better with FORTIFIED Home™ construction.

Be ready to spot 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 and door-to-door contractors.

After the Storm

If your home is damaged:

Prevent Further Damage
- Secure Your Property
- Make Temporary Repairs

Insurance Claims & Disaster Aid
- Document damage
- Save all receipts

Avoid Fraud and Scams
- Get 3 bids for any work
- Get contracts in writing
- Check contractor qualifications

Negotiate with your adjuster

Plan for additional living expenses or loss of use

Learn how to work with FEMA

Use FORTIFIED Standards

Don't Goof Flood Proof®