

FIRE PREVENTION MEASURES

to Keep Island Homes Safe

Residents and visitors are encouraged to take some fire prevention measures to keep themselves and their homes safe during a hurricane.

Most fires are caused by human carelessness and are both predictable and preventable. The loss of lives and property can be significantly reduced by following some simple fire prevention measures.

Easy fire measures can include.

- Having any heating equipment or generators installed, including power connections, by professionals and scheduling regular maintenance.
- Portable generators should be operated outdoors only.
- Keeping anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment.
- Keeping matches and lighters out of reach and out of sight of children.
- Never leaving any cooking appliances unattended.
- Practicing home fire drills with all household members.
- Properly disposing of any ignition source materials.
- Regularly changing batteries for all smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

In case of fire, get everyone out of the house immediately and *call 911* from a safe location. Do not re-enter the house for any reason.



Stay Informed. Stay Safe.

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