



Florida Barn, Fence & Property Storm Checklist

A before-and-after walk for equipment, gates, drainage, trees and animal areas

Use this as a planning aid, then add the details that belong to your family, animals and property. Check current official instructions during an active event.

Before the storm

- ☐ Photograph fence lines, gates, barns, sheds, equipment and existing damage.
- ☐ Secure or move loose tools, panels, pools, containers, furniture and equipment.
- ☐ Check gates, latches and backup containment for each animal area.
- ☐ Clear safe drainage routes without entering unstable ditches, roofs or trees.
- ☐ Identify hazardous limbs for qualified tree work before the season.
- ☐ Move chemicals, feed and records above expected water exposure.

Inspection order after the storm

- ☐ Account for people and identify fire, gas, floodwater, electrical and structural hazards.
- ☐ Keep animals in secure containment until every fence line and shelter is checked.
- ☐ Treat every downed line as energized and report it to the responsible utility.
- ☐ Photograph damage before safe temporary repairs.
- ☐ Keep children and animals outside cleanup work zones.
- ☐ Leave unstable structures, tensioned trees and work beyond your training to qualified professionals.

Recovery record

- ☐ Record the date, area, damage, temporary action, expense and person or agency contacted.
- ☐ Keep receipts and photographs with the private insurance or property record.

Important safety note

This resource provides general educational planning information. It is not real-time emergency instruction or individualized medical, veterinary, electrical, structural, legal or insurance advice. Follow current official orders and use qualified professionals when a task exceeds your training.

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Private notes

Do not post addresses, routes, gate details, medical information or security plans publicly.
