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# The Coconut Telegraph Redneck Hurricane Preparedness Guide

With Hurricane Irma's devastation to the Keys a few years ago I thought it would be a good idea to remind all our readers that you need to be prepared for these types of predicaments.

Immediately after an emergency, and you have seen this time and time again, the first people to be up and running and rescuing others are the rednecks. It's not the Harvard MBAs that are pulling people out of flooded homes with jon boats. It's the rednecks. Nope, a fancy air conditioned, Italian marbled floored, mahogany paneled office full of accountants used to chilled lobster and martini lunches won't do anyone much good in an emergency.

When it hits the fan and there is trouble a redneck will always come out on top of the situation. What is their secret? Preparedness. And this is how they do it...

**HURRICANE EVACUATION PLAN**



**1. GRAB BEER**  
**2. RUN LIKE HELL**

**Booze:** Hide the Budweiser and have a couple cans of Milwaukee's Best in case strangers stop by or you need to barter with neighbors. If you are too drunk to walk then take a kayak otherwise it will take you forever to get anywhere.

**Food:** Slim Jims and if you want to live large get some

**HURRICANE TIP:**

**BEFORE IT STARTS,**  
**WRITE DOWN ALL THE THINGS YOU LOVE**  
**ABOUT YOUR SPOUSE/CHILDREN.**

**IT WILL BE REALLY HARD TO REMEMBER**  
**AFTER -72 HOURS WITHOUT POWER.**

mustard for dipping, beef jerky, pork rinds and anything that was on the table that the dogs didn't eat and won't go bad without refrigeration.

**Boat:** A true redneck has a boat in his yard for years at a time without ever using it once. That's because it's for emergency purposes. I highly recommend a two-stroke motor that will always start after it's kicked a few times. Preferably that motor will be a Johnson, because jokes about your Johnson never get old. If kicking it doesn't work call Wheaton's, they can fix anything.

**Pickup Truck:** When a hurricane hits, it's certain that a redneck in a Ford F-150 that is held together with bono and duct tape will be pulling your Lexus out of that ditch.

**Dog:** A dog will tell you if something is edible or not.

Hurricane tip- Don't forget that your washer can be converted into a beer cooler. You're welcome!



**Flashlight:** You need one in addition to the one the family uses at night to go pee in the canal so you don't fall in.

**Radio with a Powerful Speaker:** That way you have something to drown out the wife, kids, mother-in-law, your sister-in-law Crystal, your sister Crystal, cousin Crystal, and your neighbor Crystal, and your neighbor Crystal and her daughter little Crystal. We recommend you tune in to Thunder Country 100.3 FM.

**You think shopping for Black Friday is bad? You've clearly never shopped at Walmart before a hurricane!**

**Home Security System:**

Once word gets out how prepared you are, you'll need protection:

1. Buy a pair of size 14-16 work boots.
2. Put them on the front porch with a copy of your most recent assault charge.
3. Put some giant dog dishes next to the boots and court papers.

4. Leave this note on your door: "Jake and Buster: I went to the store for more ammo and Walgreen's for booze. Back soon. Don't mess with the pit bulls; they messed the mailman up bad this morning. I don't think Satan took part; hard to tell from all the blood. I locked all four of 'em in the house. Better wait outside. Be right back."

**HURRICANE CHECKLIST**

- Beer
- First Aid Kit
- Beer
- 3-day Supply of Water
- Beer
- 3-day Supply of Dry Foods
- Beer
- Battery Operated Radio
- Beer
- Batteries
- Beer
- Flashlight
- Ice (for Beer)

**Guns and Ammo:**

I'm not talking about the magazine. Looters will be shot on sight and their loved ones can buy their watches and rings back at the pawn shop. And personally, I'd like to say that if you have a gun then crocodile is always on the menu. If a disaster causes the traffic on US 1 to back up all the way to Islamorada you'll need nourishment. Get yourself prepared in case you have a shortage of rednecks in your area. Don't expect FEMA to be able to get to you or provide for you.

**How is a woman like a hurricane?**

Because they come in wet and wild but when they leave, they take your house and everything with them!

