

## **EVACUATION PROCEDURES FOR HURRICANES OR OTHER EMERGENCIES** VILLAGE OF SALTAIRE



Hurricanes and severe storms pose a threat to life and property. Please follow these instructions to insure a safe and orderly evacuation of Fire Island in the event of an emergency.

County, Town and Village officials will continually monitor any hurricane or other hazardous condition. Notices or advisories with current information will be disseminated throughout the Village if practicable. IF AN ORDER TO EVACUATE IS GIVEN, the Village fire horn will sound an intermittent or continuous blast, accompanied by sirens from Security and Fire vehicles traveling around the Village. Loudspeaker announcements will also be made from these vehicles. Emergency personnel announcing an evacuation will cover all areas of the Village.

## TO PREPARE FOR AN ORDERLY EVACUATION:

- Keep apprised of weather conditions and public advisories. For further information, call any of the numbers listed below.
- Secure and store INDOORS objects which can blow free and become hazards, such as DECK FURNITURE, UMBRELLAS, GARBAGE CANS, WAGONS, BIKES, PLANTERS, TOOLS and other loose items.
- Close and secure all windows and doors. Shut off electricity at the main.
- Securely berth or beach your boats.
- Keep family and pets together. Report any missing person or pet to Security. Do not abandon pets.
- Report any hazardous condition you observe (e.g., a house or items which have not been secured).

• Take only baggage you can carry by hand. Leave wagons stored at home, indoors. BECAUSE OF SPACE AND CONSTRICTIONS, FERRY PERSONNEL MAY REFUSE TO LOAD ANY EXTRA BAGGAGE OR OTHER ITEMS. The security of any items left behind cannot be guaranteed.

## **REMEMBER:**

Ferries will not run on their normal schedule. Do not wait until the last ferry to evacuate in case conditions force an early end to the evacuation. Call one of the numbers below for information.

Due to time constraints, emergency services personnel will not be able to secure house, boats or other personal property. Be sure to do this yourself.

COUNTY GUIDELINES MANDATE THAT ALL EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL EVACUATE FIRE ISLAND WHEN STORMS REACH A SUSTAINED SPEED OF 55 M.P.H. PERSONS REFUSING TO EVACUATE WILL BE ASKED BY AUTHORITIES TO FURNISH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF NEXT-OF-KIN FOR LATER NOTIFICATION. ALL ELECTRIC POWER, WATER AND TELEPHONE SERVICE MAY BE LOST OR SHUT OFF AS EMERGENCY PERSONNEL WITHDRAW TO THE MAINLAND.

BE ADVISED THAT IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO ASSIST PERSONS REMAINING ON THE ISLAND ONCE AN EVACUATION IS COMPLETED.

## PLEASE NOTIFY SALTAIRE SECURITY IF YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, ARE NOT PLANNING TO EVACUATE.

For information regarding an actual or potential evacuation, contact one of these offices at the following numbers:

| VILLAGE SECURITY    | (631) 583-5572             |
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| VILLAGE OFFICE      | (631) 583-5566             |
| FIRE ISLAND FERRIES | (631) 665-3600 or 666-3600 |

You should be able to obtain all pertinent information from these sources.