

## **Town of Wrightsville Beach HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS**

The Town of Wrightsville Beach has developed a comprehensive Hurricane Preparedness and Re-entry Plan to respond effectively and to ease the evacuation and re-entry processes should the Town experience a hurricane. In the event of a potential or actual storm strike, citizens play a key role in a successful pre- and post-disaster scenario. Town officials encourage you to be prepared for whatever comes our way this year. The best way to protect your family from the effects of a disaster is to have a disaster plan. The Town of Wrightsville Beach website provides valuable information in regard to Hurricane Preparedness. We hope that you will take the necessary steps to insure you and your family's safety and readiness. Visit [www.townofwrightsvillebeach.com](http://www.townofwrightsvillebeach.com) and select "Hurricane Preparation" on the homepage for a guide to hurricane readiness and other disaster preparedness resources.

New Hanover County offers a service to inform its citizens of emergencies via phone, text, and/or email. In addition, NHC maintains a Special Needs Assistance Registry. Visit the New Hanover County Emergency Information website to register for these emergency services programs ([www.emergencynhc.com](http://www.emergencynhc.com)).

### **Post-Hurricane Re-Entry Information**

Residents and business owners must present specific types of identification to re-enter the Town of Wrightsville Beach following a mandatory hurricane evacuation. Contractors, property managers, caretakers, media, and boat owners will also need special re-entry passes. Different types of identification are required depending on user need or function.

**Residents and Property Owners:** Vehicle Tax Decals are required by Section 70.36 of the Town's code of ordinances. These decals also serve as a means of identification for re-entry following a hurricane evacuation. Tax decals are issued by Lanier Parking located at 321 Causeway Drive. The decal must be affixed to the lower left-hand corner of the vehicle's windshield. We encourage residents and property owners to purchase the \$30 Vehicle Tax Decals early to avoid long lines when a hurricane threatens Wrightsville Beach. Lanier Parking will continue selling decals during a Hurricane Watch (hurricane conditions possible within 48 hours). Decal sales will cease when a Hurricane Warning is issued (hurricane conditions are expected within 36 hours). For additional details please call Lanier Parking at 256-5453.

**Businesses, Marinas, Boat Owners, Contractors, Property Managers, and Caretakers:** Hurricane re-entry passes are issued by the Wrightsville Beach Police Department at no charge and are available for pick up starting April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Passes may be obtained at the front desk of the Police Department, Monday – Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, excluding holidays. Applicants must bring a valid driver's license or ID card, and proof of relationship to the business, marina, or property in which you are associated. Passes should be retained for the duration of the season. For additional details, please call the Wrightsville Beach Police Department at 256-7945.