

## **Be Storm Smart**

## **Prepping Your Property for Thunderstorms**

BEFORE THE STORM	DURING THE STORM
☐ Secure Loose Outdoor Objects:	☐ Monitor the Situation
<ul><li>Outdoor objects are brought indoors</li><li>If can't be brought indoors, they're tightly secured</li></ul>	<ul><li>☐ Address Immediate Hazards</li></ul>
☐ Prepare for Downpours:	☐ Sparking electrical equipment
<ul><li>☐ Clean gutters and downspouts</li><li>☐ Check for clogged drains around the property</li></ul>	☐ Structural damage
$\square$ Inspect Trees and Branches:	AFTER THE STORM
<ul><li>☐ Trim tree dead or weak limbs</li><li>☐ Trim branches close to the building</li></ul>	☐ Thorough Property Inspection  Conduct a comprehensive inspection of the property, including:
<ul> <li>□ Safeguard Electrical Systems:</li> <li>□ Install surge protectors</li> <li>□ Unplug non-essential appliances</li> <li>□ Prepare an Emergency Kit:</li> </ul>	☐ Roofs ☐ Ceilings & Walls ☐ Basements ☐ Safety
<ul> <li>Assemble an emergency kit (containing flashlights, batteries, a first-aid kit, bottled water, non-perishable food, a battery-powered radio, and extra blankets)</li> <li>Place them for tenant access and maintenance staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Check safety hazards including:</li> <li>☐ Exposed electrical wiring</li> <li>☐ Unstable structures</li> <li>☐ Water damage</li> <li>☐ Fire damage</li> </ul>
<ul><li>□ Documents:</li><li>□ Store important documents in a safe place</li></ul>	☐ <b>Document Everything</b> Take photos/videos of any storm damage
☐ Communication: ☐ Notify tenants about the impending ☐ Share emergency contact information	☐ Coordinate Repairs  Contact your insurance company and arrange for repairs

