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REMINDERS AND TIDBITS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020

CDC MASK GUIDELINE UPDATE AS OF AUGUST 27,2020

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has released updated guidelines for selecting, wearing and cleaning face masks for the coronavirus pandemic. The update was released Aug. 27. The CDC continues to recommend that you wear masks in public settings "around people who don't live in your household and when you can't stay 6 feet away from others." Masks help stop the spread of COVID-19 to others, the CDC maintains.

Overview

- Wear masks with two or more layers to stop the spread of COVID-19
- Wear the mask over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
- Masks should be worn by people two years and older
- Masks should NOT be worn by children younger than two, people who have trouble breathing, or people who cannot remove the mask without assistance
- Do NOT wear masks intended for healthcare workers, for example, N95 respirators





HURRICANE SEASON 2020

Multiple tropical storms have already formed in the Atlantic this year, but the peak of the hurricane season typically doesn't begin until August and lasts into

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early October. It's also when some of the most powerful and destructive hurricanes occur.

Several factors contribute to the seasonal ramp-up that begins in August:

- African easterly waves are most developed, often serving as a seed for tropical storms and hurricanes to form.
- Saharan air layers, surges of dry air into the central and eastern Atlantic Basin that normally squelch tropical development in those areas, tend to give way by August as the parade of African easterly waves gradually add moisture. This effectively opens up more favorable real estate for tropical cyclone development.
- Wind shear, the change in wind speed and/or direction with height, which can rip apart a tropical cyclone wannabe, tends to be low.
- Sea-surface temperatures rise toward a peak in early fall.
- Instability the atmosphere's ability to generate convection (thunderstorms) to help initiate tropical cyclones also rises toward an early fall peak.

All those factors make for a larger area in the Atlantic where tropical storms and hurricanes can develop when compared to June and July. Please make sure you are prepared and have all supplies and materials prior to any warnings going into place. Please keep in mind that once a warning hits, the elevators will be shut down for safety reasons, so all preparations need to be made during the Watch or before. If you have not received the Hurricane Manual, please contact Management to obtain one. Stay safe!

UNIT KEYS: (HURRICANE SEASON)

Management should have a set of working keys for all 93 units. This is for emergency maintenance purposes such as fire, flood/leak etc. Section 17.27 of Declaration of the Condominium Documents informs.

"...it shall be the responsibility of all Unit Owners to deliver a set of keys to their unit to the Association to use in performance of its functions. No owner shall change locks to its unit without notifying the Association and delivering to the Association a new set of keys to such unit."

GARBAGE DISPOSALS DO'S AND DON'TS

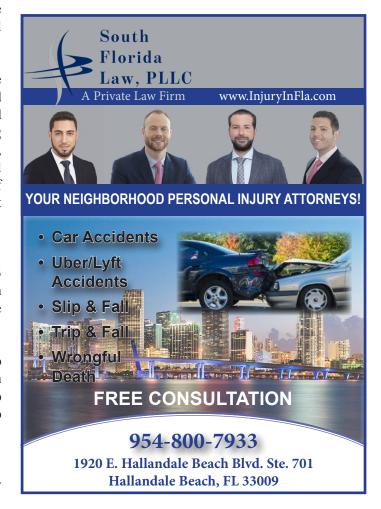
If you have a garbage disposal in your kitchen, you know

that it's a great appliance that makes household duties less demanding. But if not operated or maintained properly, a garbage disposal can easily break down, block and clog the drains and cause a long list of expensive plumbing and drain nightmares. Proper maintenance and operation will extend the life of your garbage disposal and prevent plumbing and drain mishaps.

Garbage Disposal Do's:

- Do keep your garbage disposal clean. Pour a little dish soap inside and let the garbage disposal run for a minute or so with some cold water after washing dishes.
- Do run your garbage disposal regularly. Frequent use prevents rust and corrosion, assures that all parts stay moving and prevents obstructions from accumulating.
- Do grind food waste w/ a strong flow of cold water.

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Why cold water? It will cause any grease or oils that may get into the unit to solidify, so that they can be chopped up before reaching the trap.

- Do grind certain hard materials such as small chicken and fish bones, egg shells, small fruit pits, etc. A scouring action is created by these particles inside the grind chamber that cleans the garbage disposal's walls.
- Do cut large items into smaller pieces. Put them into the garbage disposal one at a time instead of trying to shove a large amount in at once.

Garbage Disposal Don'ts:

The most important rule of thumb: Don't Put Anything in The Garbage Disposal That Is Not Biodegradable Food. A garbage disposal is not a trash can; it's for food scraps only. Non-food items can damage both blades and the motor. When in doubt, throw it out!

- Don't grind glass, plastic, metal or even paper.
- Don't grind anything combustible.
- Don't grind cigarette butts
- Don't pour grease, oil or fat into your garbage disposal or drain. Grease will slowly accumulate impede your garbage disposal's grinding ability as well

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as clog drains.

- Don't use hot water when grinding food waste. Hot water will cause grease to liquefy and accumulate, causing drains to clog.
- Don't grind extremely fibrous material like corn husks, celery stalks, onion skins, and artichokes. Fibers from these can tangle and jam the garbage disposal motor and block drains.
- Don't turn off the motor or water until grinding is completed. When grinding is complete, turn off the the garbage disposal first. Let water continue to run for at least 15 seconds, flushing out any remaining particles. Then turn off water.
- Don't put too many potato peels down the garbage disposal. The starches in the potatoes will turn into a thick paste and may cause blades to stick.
- Don't put large amounts of food down the garbage disposal. Feed food into the garbage disposal a little at a time with the cold water running; this will help the food scraps flow down freely through the drain pipes and plumbing.
- Don't put expandable foods into your garbage disposal. Foods like pasta and rice expand when you add water in a pot; they do the same thing once inside your pipes or garbage disposal and are the cause of many jams and clogs.

- Don't grind large animal bones (beef, pork etc.).
- Avoid putting coffee grounds down the garbage disposal. They won't harm the garbage disposal and they'll help eliminate odors. However, they can accumulate in drains and pipes, causing clogs. Best to avoid.
- Don't use harsh chemicals like bleach or drain cleaners. They can damage blades and pipes. Borax is a natural sink cleaner and sanitizer that effectively works on odorcausing mold and mildew that accumulates in garbage disposals.

Keeping Your Garbage Disposal Running Problem-Free

Ice is an extremely effective and inexpensive method for cleaning your garbage disposal, sharpening the blades and breaking up any grease build-up which has accumulated. Just toss a few ice cubes into the garbage disposal and run it. As the garbage disposal chops into the ice cubes, the ice chips will effectively scour all the hard to reach areas of the unit, and melt down the drain. Try this once or twice a month to keep your garbage disposal in fine working order.

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