

Emergency Plan
Watson's Harveren Resort Inc..
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In an attempt to provide the tenants and guests of Watson's Harverene Resort with an idea of what to do in the event of a natural emergency, we have come up with this set of basic guidelines for tenants and guests to review and consider.

Please keep in mind that management may or may not be around during one of these events. Management may be out dealing with the situation and may not be around to answer questions or direct you as to what you should or should not do. This is the reason for these plans. Feel free to do your own research and come up with your own plan if you wish. This is strictly to help out in the event of an emergency.

The information provided here is intended to just help give you an idea as to what you and your family should do in the event of a fire, wind storm, electrical storm or rain. There is much more information on the internet if you care to look.

FOREST FIRES
or other types of out of controlled fires

We live in fire country. Those are the facts and in 2015 it hit very close to home. Watson's Resort was saved but in the process, we learned a few things. But the fact remains that we do live in fire country and this we can not hide from.

In the event of a fire here on the South Shore, please always do what the professionals tell you to do. They are the ones who are supposed to know best. But in the event that there are not any professionals around and management is busy dealing with the emergency, as was the case in 2015, we have come up with our own basic plan.

Regardless of what may be issued by fire authorities, if there is an out of control wild fire located within two miles (straight line) of Watson's Harverene Resort, we advise you to at a minimum, act as though we are in a Level 2 type evacuation notice. This means that you should be aware that there is a fire in the area and should pack things up and be ready to evacuate within a moments notice. If officials rate a fire as being higher, go by what the officials say regardless of

where the fire is located. We do not want to get in the way of the professionals and you.

If you feel that you should leave or have to leave, regardless of where the fire is, then please do so. If you are the type of person who tends to panic or gets very scared or nervous with such situations, then feel free to leave at any time but be advised that you may not be able to return for a period of time so make sure to get everything you may need such as wallet, drivers license, cash and check books, and any other important papers such as statements that you may need, Insurance papers, and anything needed for medical conditions such as pills, procriptions, etc.

If there is an out of control fire within a half mile of the resort (under calm weather conditions) or within a mile or two (under windy conditions), we shall classify this as a Level 1 which means you should grab your things and leave at once. Authorities may issue such classification prior to this which is fine. Heed the warning given rather than our guidelines. Before you leave, we would suggest (though not required) that you leave your unit unlocked but make sure all windows and doors are closed. Place any highly explosive items such as propane tanks, fuel cans (with caps on), or any other such items, outside and away from your unit in plain sight. Please do not place gas cans anywhere (at any time) if they do not have a closing lid.

If you have advanced notice of a fire, it would not hurt to water things down but please do not waist water for we may need our water supply full in order to fight fire. We would not want to see everyone using water and thus depleting our water reserves. If there is a fire close by and you evacuate, please make sure you do not leave any water or irrigation running. We ask tenants to always be fire safe and fire ready. You may not have time if a fire is close by to catch up with things you should have been doing earlier. You do not want to have a bunch of things to do when you should be leaving. Grab and go when you need to leave.

If there are any people (especially younger healthier people) who would like to assist, please contact management but if you are unable to contact management, please do what you feel is best. If there is a level 2 evacuation notice and you do not feel comfortable staying, please leave and please do not wait to be told to leave. If you are a person who gets emotionally upset over such things, then it would also be best to evacuate. Those staying should be ones who can remain calm and have a clear head. Those staying should not have to worry about dealing

with someone who can not fend for themselves or who do not have a clear and calm head.

In the event of an emergency, sometimes we may loose power, phone lines, etc. WATSON'S used Facebook as its information source. Even if you do not Facebook, the resort Facebook page can be located on the resort web page at www.watsonsresort.com on the right side of the main page. If and as time allows, we will try to post information there.

HEAVY WINDS

The south shore can at times experience heavy wind storms. Normally these happen during the off season but they have also happen during our tourist season and other times when the resort is open to TENANTS and guests.

In the event of heavy winds, tenants and guests should seek shelter. Flying objects can be in the air. We have a lot of trees and trees have been know to come down.

Seeking shelter in a trailer or older mobile home is not advised. We do have some areas that may serve as a temporary shelter. On either side of Harverene Lodge (front and back door entries, depending on where the wind is coming from) would be a somewhat safer area to be. Go to the side of the lodge that the wind is not hitting. The entry to Poolside #17 is another location. Another location would be under the car port of Cabin #19. In you are in a house or cabin, seek shelter in a safe location within the house or cabin. Trees coming down and broken limbs are one of the biggest concerns during a wind in our area. Find locations where there are not as many trees to worry about.

If you know heavy winds are in the forecast, prepare for being without power and water for a period of time as winds can take out trees which can fall on power lines. You may want to keep a supply of water and food on hand at all times in the event of an emergency where power and/or water may not be available.

If there are high winds in the forecast and you have a trailer type unit that you are not comfortable in, make plans in advance. Find a safe location to go to rather than chance riding it out in a trailer or older mobile home.

While some may think it is fun to be out in high winds or walk to the beach or

onto the docks to watch, remember that high winds can be deadly. Trees are one of the biggest concerns here but also flying objects can be dangerous. Docks are also no place to be in a wind storm unless you have a very good reason to be on them. Here again, there are things to worry about during a wind storm. We should not have to worry about tenants and guests during any type of dangerous event.

ELECTRICAL STORMS

Did you know that if you live to be 80 years old, you have a 1 in 3,000 chance of being hit by lightning? Did you know that electrical storms in the U.S. kill more people than hurricanes and tornadoes combined?

In the event of an electrical storm which could also be associated with heavy winds and heavy rains, seek shelter from both the electrical storm and the wind storm. If an electrical storm is associated with heavy winds, follow the heavy wind guidelines as well as guidelines for electrical storms.

If you see lightning, start counting until you hear a rumble of thunder. If that time is 30 seconds or less, the thunderstorm is close enough to be dangerous. Lightning can strike as far as 10 miles from the area where it is raining during a storm.

Nowhere outside is completely safe. Seek a large enclosed building whenever possible. The next best option is a car with a hard top. Stay inside and keep the windows up. It is the metal shell of the car that protects you, not the rubber tires. If you are inside, stay at least a few feet away from open windows, electrical items and outlets, and plumbing such as sinks and showers. Lightning can flow through these items and jump to a person. Never shower or bathe during an electrical storm. Use a cell or cordless phone instead of a land line. If lightning hits telephone lines, it can flow through the line to the telephone.

If you are outside and cannot get inside, do not stand under a tree! Try to find a low spot away from any metal fences, pipes, trees, or tall objects. If you are swimming or boating and you hear distant rumbles, or see flashes of lightning, get to land as soon as possible. If you are in a boat and cannot get to shore, stay in the middle of the boat, or below deck if you have a boat with a cabin. If you are in a smaller boat and cannot get below deck, stay low and do not stand up.

In the event of an electrical storm that is not associated with heavy winds, seek shelter in your unit. If you are unable to be in your unit, seek shelter in a car with a hard top roof. Do not go outside and stand in the open or under (touching) any larger trees as lightning has been known to hit trees and ground out at the base of trees. Do not go out into the lake in your boat and avoid being on any docks in an electrical storm. Do not stand out in the open as your body could be more vulnerable to an electrical strike if you are out in the open. Hunker down in a safe location and try to wait out the storm. Electrical storms in our area normally occur during the summer months and normally pass by fairly quickly but this is not always the case. Electrical storms can however, happen during any time of the year and can last for several hours.

At Watson's Resort, avoid docks, especially the gas dock and fuel tank.

Heavy Rains

Heavy rain is not as big of a concern here at Watson's Resort. You just want to stay indoors until it passes. Avoid high flood danger area's such as creeks and streams. If you are around an open bank, be aware of falling or rolling items such as rocks and logs. If you are driving in your car, we aware of water coming over the roadway or deep standing water.

Heavy Snow Fall and Snow loads

We are closed during the off season but occasionally tenants do come to the resort during the winter to check on their units. Please remember that we are not responsible in keeping all the roads and driveways open during the winter. Please do not drive down into the resort if you do not have the vehicle and/or tires to get you back out. There are times the drive way is a solid sheet of ice. If you do drive down and do not have proper tires and spin going out, this only makes the drive way more slick for others.

If you do not have the proper vehicle and/or tires, please park at the entrance where you know you will be able to leave when you are finished. If you do park at the entrance or along side the state/county road, make sure you are clear off to

the side of the road. You do not want to cause an accident by parking in a way that interferes with people driving on a public road. When you walk down the drive way, make sure you have proper foot ware in order to prevent you from slipping, falling and getting injured. If you come up to the resort during the off season, make sure you notify Watson's ahead of time. We do try to keep an eye on cars, car tracks and people tracks during the winter months. Let us know so that if we see a car or tracks, we will know who it is.

Clearing the snow off a Mobile or trailer tenants roof is the responsibility of the tenants. Chances are, we will be busy taking care of our own roofs and other items if the snow gets deep enough.

Remember to try and remove the snow evenly off the roof. If the snow is deep or heavy, section your roof out. Do not do one half then the other. This could create stress on your building and cause the roof to come down.

Remember to always let someone know that you are here in the event of an emergency. While we are normally here year round, there are times when we may go someplace or perhaps even go on a vacation. If we do leave for a longer period of time such as a vacation, we always try to line someone up to keep an eye on things but even then, this does not mean that someone is always around. Let someone (friend or family) know you are coming up to the resort as well as letting us know. That way if something were to happen, others will know when and if to check on you in the event of an accident.

Have the proper equipment, clothing and foot ware to perform the job you intend to do. You don't want to drive all the way to get here or walk down the driveway only to remember that you forgot something.

If you go in your unit, make sure everything is off inside that needs to be off and everything on that needs to be on. Sometimes a list can be helpful if left on a counter in case someone other than your self comes up to check on things.

Misc. Emergency

In the event of any other type of emergency such as a pandemic, please follow the Watson's Resort Facebook page for needed information.

If you ever have any questions, please let us know.

