



River Plantation HOMEOWNERS' Association, Inc.  
Architectural Control Committee (ACC)  
Parrish, Florida 34219

**Title: Hurricane Shutters**

In accordance with the River Plantation Covenants Article 5, Section 2. Design Standards. *The Architectural Control Committee shall from time to time, subject to this Declaration and the Association Documents, adopt, promulgate, amend, revoke, and enforce guidelines, hereinafter referred to as the "Design Standards"*

This 16th day of November, 2022 the ACC has established guidelines for hurricane protection for various openings in a residence. The ACC respects the need for owners to protect their homes and likewise respects the need of neighborhoods not to have a boarded-up look to preserve the value of all our properties. There is also cause for concern that windows covered for a hurricane event prevent egress/ingress in case of fire or another emergency. Those issues are the responsibility of each homeowner.

**Definitions:**

"*Temporary Shutters*" means metal, wood, fabric, or hurricane grade panels attached manually to permanent hardware in the walls to cover windows and doors and are completely removed and stored out of view from outside the residence when not in use.

"*Permanent Shutters*" means a hurricane shutter system that is permanently affixed to the outside of the home and can open when not in use and to close when in use during a storm.

It is hereby resolved that the following guidelines be implemented for the use of Hurricane Shutters

**Architecture Standards Guidelines:**

Temporary Shutters shall be of neutral solid color, free of any writings and does not require an Architecture Committee Request. Temporary Shutter hardware shall be of the same color as the wall surrounding the hardware.

Permanent Shutters shall be mounted to the wall directly on each side of a window and door with an accordion mechanism to open and close. When closed for a storm shall be of the approved color with no writings. Permanent Shutters shall require Architectural Control Committee approval. Please provide exact color along with high resolution photos of Permanent Shutter system while open and while closed. Each installation shall be considered individually based upon the ACC standards consistent with the harmony and esthetics of each application.

**Usage Guidelines:**

Temporary Shutters may be installed when a named storm which Manatee County Government has determined will impact our area no more than 7 days before impact. Temporary Shutter must be removed and placed in storage within 14 days after impact of the storm.

Permanent Shutters may be closed when a named storm which Manatee County Government has determined will impact our area no more than 7 days before impact. Permanent Shutter must be fully opened within 7 days after impact of the storm.

Extended installation of temporary hurricane shutters or extended closure or partial closure of permanent shutters on a home will not be permitted. If the owner will not be in residence during the hurricane season, consider contracting with a company to install hurricane protection for the event.

No temporary shutters shall be stored on the exterior of the residence.

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