

PORT EVERGLADES TARIFF NO. 12

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Port Users with cargo and material located at Port Everglades are responsible for adequately securing same to prevent injury and damage to persons and property that may result from hurricanes and other severe weather disturbances. All items are to be secured including, but not limited to, cargo, containers, chassis, cargo handling gear, pallets, dunnage, and mobile equipment. At a minimum, Port Users securing property at Port Everglades must follow the instructions for storm protection issued by the Port Everglades Department and United States Coast Guard, which will include, but will not be limited to, moving cargo, cargo handling gear, dunnage, and pallets from open areas reducing the height of container stacks, block stowing containers, moving containers away from public and internal roadways, and lowering booms on mobile cranes. Broward County assumes no responsibility or liability for any injury or damage to persons, cargo, or materials resulting from hurricanes or other severe weather disturbances. In the event any cargo or materials are not stored and secured in accordance with the minimum requirements in the storm protection instructions issued by Port Everglades Department, then the Port Everglades Department may take appropriate measures to secure same at the sole risk, cost, and expense of the Port User and Port Everglades Department assumes no responsibility for damages for taking any such measures.

All requests for engine immobilization repairs are subject to approval or denial based on anticipated storm activity and track during hurricane season, berth availability, length of repair, and any possible associated repairs that would prevent the vessel from being in Seaworthy condition.

A request to immobilize a vessel's propulsion system must be submitted in writing to the Chief Harbormaster, in advance, by the franchised agent of record for the vessel requesting permission. Any vessel operator requesting to immobilize the propulsion system while in port for greater than three (3) days must submit a Vessel Heavy Weather Lay-Up Plan, including the completed mooring arrangement, to the Chief Harbormaster as part of the request for approval. This plan must also include a contingency to tow the vessel from the port before a storm's arrival if the request to remain in port is denied and the propulsion system cannot be made operational. The Vessel Heavy Weather Lay-Up Plan form can be accessed at the Port Everglades Harbormaster office.