



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

City ordinances aim to protect our neighborhoods from unsightly shutters



City enforcing 60-day limit; Irma shutters should be removed immediately

Door and window shutters are critically important during emergency situations including damage caused by vandalism, fire, theft, accident, a hurricane or other extreme weather event.

However, over time, shutters can become eyesores and blemishes to our neighborhoods. That's why the City of Fort Lauderdale is **enforcing a 60-day limit** on boarding or securing of openings for temporary emergency situations (Section 18-9(a) of the City of Fort Lauderdale's Code of Ordinances).

Storm shutters installed to protect your home from Hurricane Irma should be removed immediately to avoid a code violation.

To protect properties from vandalism, theft, and other criminal activities, the City does allow unoccupied residences to only be secured with properly installed storm shutters (photo example on above right). Strips of plywood products (photo example on above left) are not acceptable substitutes.

For more information, please contact the City of Fort Lauderdale Community Enhancement and Compliance Division at 954-828-5207.