

Hurricane Florence Exceptions Deadlines

Following Hurricane Florence the Town of River Bend made some exceptions to our normal regulations to accommodate residents who were in a very abnormal situation.

- The Town has approved a one-year period for the use of mobile units for temporary housing.
- The Town has approved a one-year period for the use of temporary storage units.

The deadline for both of these temporary exceptions expires on October 11, 2019. If you are using a mobile unit as temporary housing, you must obtain a permit from the Town. There is no fee for the permit. The permit allows us to maintain a database on the units that are being used. Both of these exemptions are only for homes that were damaged by Hurricane Florence.

The Town has also made exceptions to the normal debris and parking regulations. The Town has an ordinance which regulates the parking of boats, trailers and other similar equipment in yards. Due to the hurricane, we have not been enforcing this ordinance. The parking exception expires on March 4, 2019. Also, many residents were allowed to park boats/vehicles on the lot where the barn formerly stood. All of those boats/vehicles must be removed from that lot by March 4, 2019.

The Town of River Bend does not normally provide construction debris removal. Following the hurricane, we did for a limited time. No debris will be allowed to be stored on the street line after March 4, 2019. If you are still engaged in construction after March 4, 2019 you will need to remove any debris that remains on the street line. Be aware that the Town does not collect construction debris, white goods or brown goods. If you are engaged in construction activities, please store debris in a side or rear yard, if possible, and remove it from the site as soon as possible.

As of February 15, 2019 our records indicate that 503 structures were damaged by Hurricane Florence. As of today, it has been five months since the hurricane arrived. We have issued 372 permits for repairs of those damaged structures. Some repairs are complete, some are on-going and some have not yet begun. Everyone wants the Town to return to normal as soon as possible. It will be months before that occurs. Thank you for your patience, compassion and cooperation during this on-going recovery.