

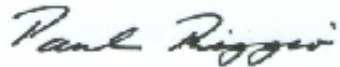
# **Storm Preparation**

The following are the Harbor Master's minimum recommendations for storm preparation.

**When the National Weather Bureau has stated that the Essex harbor is now in a tropical storm or a hurricane warning, the following storm preparations must be performed by the mooring permit holder or his/her authorized agent within 18 hours of that warning. Failure to follow these standards may result in an automatic suspension of your mooring permit.**

- 1) All pennants will have chafe gear on them in such a fashion as to prevent the abrading of the pennant by the chock or any other piece of hardware attached to bow of the boat.
- 2) All dodgers, biminies and any other canvas or plastic enclosures must be removed from the outside of the boat to reduce windage.
- 3) All headsails must be removed and stored somewhere other than on or above the deck. All mainsails must either be removed and stored somewhere other than on or above the deck, or wrapped with a strong line in such a way to prevent the sail from coming undone during a blow, therefore creating more windage.
- 4) All loose objects shall be properly secured in such a way as to not do any damage to another person, property or boat.

These standards are advisory only and the Town of Essex, and its Harbor Master, assume no liability for personal injury or property damage which result from the utilization of the above storm preparation standards.



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