

SOA HURRICANE PROTECTION POLICY
(Excerpt from the SOA ARB Guidelines approved 7/2011)

HOA/COA's and commercial entities may adopt hurricane protection specifications for homes/condos and commercial buildings which must be submitted to the ARB for approval in advance of installation. Consideration shall include color, style, and other factors deemed relevant by the ARB.

Each homeowner must submit their hurricane protection specifications to the ARB prior to installation.

The ARB will waive all review fees for hurricane protection submittals.

When a tropical storm or hurricane is in the Gulf, hurricane protection for buildings and homes may be deployed.

After a storm passes, if there are no other storms approaching the Gulf, hurricane protection (with the exception of protection approved for permanent installation) must be removed within 14 days.

If another storm approaches the Gulf within 14 days, hurricane protection may remain deployed until the second or subsequent storm passes, but it must be removed or opened within 14 days of the passing of the second or subsequent storms.

The following hurricane protection devices are approved for permanent installation, and shall be left in the open position until such time for deployment:

Clear flat panels	Bahama shutters
Stainless steel mesh screens	Roll-down with canister

Other devices may be considered as new technology becomes available.