

# Hurricane Tips for Beekeepers

## Flooding

- Move hives to an elevated area in your apiary that is not prone to flooding.
- Place screened bottom boards in the hives for drainage.
- Tilt hives forward so that any water which enters the hive is able to drain.

## Wind

- Remove or secure any loose objects around the apiary.
- Strap hives together and to a stake driven into the ground in order to weigh them down and prevent them from falling over.

## After the Storm

- When it is safe to go outside, pick up any hives that may have fallen over during the storm.

## For More Information

- Visit the UF Honey Bee Research and Extension Lab's website:  
[www.ufhoneybee.com](http://www.ufhoneybee.com)



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