

# START OF STORM SEASON CHECKLIST

## EQUIPMENT PREP

### »» VEHICLE

- Oil change .....
- New tires if needed .....
- Power inverter (at least 400W) .....
- Healthy snacks in truck .....
- At least one spare fuel jug .....

*If buying a truck consider a diesel, more fuel availability and towing capacity for trailers*

### »» GO BAG

- Several days of clothing .....
- Hygiene products, toothpaste and toothbrush, deodorant, bodywash and shampoo .....
- More snacks .....

### »» HARDWARE

#### At least two ladders

- A collapsible or telescoping ladder .....   
for quick interior and exterior access
- A larger 30+ ft ladder for high roofs ..... 
  - › A rope and harness is a huge plus, or a drone if the carrier allows it

#### Adjuster's bag – Custom tool belt

- Notepad and lots of pens .....
- Graphing or sketching paper .....
- Laser .....
- 50- and 100-foot measuring tape .....
- Chalk (more for hail but useful for wind too) .....

#### Laptop

- Back up and clear old projects .....
- Formatting or fresh Windows install ..... 
  - › If an older machine, look at a new one or memory and solid state upgrade
  - › Printers are very helpful

## STAGING

### »» LOCALIZING

- Meeting up with local CAT managers and on-site resources .....
- Learning carrier estimating preferences .....
- Working out lodging arrangements ..... 
  - Short term group rental
  - Hotels and Airbnb
- Get to know your file reviewers .....
- They help you if you help them .....

### »» FIRST 100 ASSIGNMENTS

#### Making calls and scheduling

- Wife or husband at home makes calls .....
- Triaging .....
- Effectively routing claims w/ Google maps .....

#### Planning paperwork days

- Ordering property and roof measurements .....