

See-Through Protection

Polycarbonate Storm Panels

For most of us living in the United States, June marks the start of summer. For folks in the southeastern part of the states, it also marks the start of hurricane season. From June through November, the Atlantic Ocean's waters become warm enough to form dangerous hurricanes or typhoons. These tropical storms often move towards land, leaving a path of devastating destruction.

Storms like Helene and Milton are highly unpredictable, increasing in size, strength, and intensity with very little warning. For these reasons, it's wise to be prepared for hurricane season, especially in areas most prone to them.

Your home is most exposed at its doorways, windows, and roof. These are primary entry points for heavy rain and straight-line winds. Protecting your windows and doors is very important if you want to minimize storm damage.

Most hurricane protection systems are made from metal or wood; both materials tend to be heavy and block the natural light. This is where the Hurrigal storm panel truly is a great option! This translucent polycarbonate panel is light in weight, easy to install, and extremely durable — all while allowing views through to the outdoors.

José, from Tampa, Florida put the Hurrigal panel to the test during the last couple of tropical storms of the 2024 hurricane season. On his previous home, José had used metal shutters for hurricane protection. "The metal shutters we had were heavy and not easy to handle. I always needed assistance with the installation before the storm and again to take them down. The polycarbonate storm panels were very light yet strong and easy to handle. I installed them myself and it did not take much time."

The metal shutters also prevented natural light from entering José's home during the day. If he lost power during a tropical storm, José said he would have to resort to flashlights to avoid being completely in the dark. It was also not easy to find a place to store the cumbersome metal shutters when not in use.

José and his family's favorite part about using Hurrigal storm panels last year instead of metal shutters was that they could still see what was happening outside during the storm, without feeling unsafe. "That was one of the best parts, being able to see through the panels and allow natural sunlight to come into our home."

Hurrigal storm panels have been rigorously tested by independent third parties to be used in extreme wind conditions and meet Miami-Dade County Building code requirements for use in high velocity hurricane zone (HVHZ) applications. It was no surprise that these polycarbonate storm panels performed well for José during last year's hurricane season.

"The panels stayed firm in place the whole time," José said. "Even when the weather conditions became their worst during the hurricane. They withstood the high wind speeds we experienced — over 65mph!"

When asked if he would be using Hurrigal storm panels for the 2025 hurricane season, José had this response: "Absolutely, 100%!"



Hurrigal Storm Panel

- Color: Clear
- Width: 4'
- Length: 8'
- Thickness: 16mm (0.625")
- Structure: Triple-Wall
- Fire Rating: Class A/CC1
- Warranty: 10-Year Limited

