

ATWATER COMMONS

CONDOMINIUM HOME-OWNERS ASSOCIATION
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Hello Atwater Commons neighbors!

We wanted to provide a quick update on the [paint project](#) and a reminder regarding the [Outdoor Grill Policy](#).

By the time you receive this Newsletter, the Board has already met on-site, with the owner of GetPro Painting, to review the 2022/2023 paint project and to discuss scheduling. As a reminder, we are planning on completing 3 of the buildings this summer 2022, and the remaining 3 buildings next summer 2023 (weather permitting). They will be starting at the front of the community with the Saber Way building, and working their way back to Evergreen Trail. We will be sure to communicate their work schedule, and ask for your cooperation in making this project go as **efficiently and safely** as possible. More information to follow.

Also, please take a moment to review the Outdoor Grill Policy (attached). It is a reminder of our “Grill Usage” rules, as found in the Rules and Regulations of the community. It also is a reminder that these rules are for everyone’s safety, both bodily and building! Have fun, grill often and be safe!!

Thanks again for your attention to these matters, and landlords please share this information with your tenants.

Respectfully,

Atwater Commons Condominium Association

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How to prepare for storm season in Michigan

(Excerpt below taken from [Kaitlynn Riley](#) | Mar 18, 2022

Michigan's storm season typically begins in late March, peaks in July, and runs through early September. As temperatures rise, moisture and humidity in the air increase, causing strong winds and thunderstorms, and the occasional unavoidable power outage.

Follow these tips to make sure you and your family are safe and prepared.

Know the difference between severe weather alerts

When dark clouds start creeping in, you might be notified with one of the following alerts. Each of them holds significance and understanding their differences can help you determine how to react and stay safe.

- A severe weather *advisory* is issued when a hazardous weather event is likely or occurring. An advisory is for less serious conditions that could cause inconvenience if caution is not exercised.
- A severe thunderstorm *watch* is when weather conditions exist where a severe thunderstorm can develop. It doesn't mean severe weather will occur, but it's possible. Best to monitor the situation and prepare to act in case weather conditions worsen.
- A severe thunderstorm *warning* is when severe weather conditions have been reported and are occurring in the warning area. Danger to life and property are present. Take cover and close the windows in your home and vehicle.

Create an emergency plan

A storm can go from bad to worse in matter of minutes. Getting ahead and creating a plan can help you and your family stay safe, minimize impacts and cope with severe weather and its consequences more easily.

- **Stay informed.** Download WDIV Local4Casters app, powered by DTE, for free on the Apple or Google Play store to get real-time forecasts, storm alerts and more to help you prepare for severe weather coming our way. For an even closer look, **Rick Foltman**, DTE's own meteorologist, recommends tuning in to the [NOAA All Hazards/Weather radio](#) for up to the minute changes in weather risks.
- **Know what disasters are most likely to occur in your area.** Throughout Michigan, many of us prepare for severe thunderstorms, blistering windstorms or heavy snow in the wintertime. Discover what typically effects your area the most and develop a plan to prepare accordingly.
- **Consider your household needs.** Think about your family, pets, medical accommodations, invaluable, living situation, and more, and create a plan that matches your needs.
- **Make sure everyone's on the same page.** Make sure you and your family know what to do when a storm occurs. Pick a space in your house that's safe and easy to find, like a basement or another room on the lowest floor without windows and develop a way to communicate if you are not in the same location. See [more ideas](#) on developing a communication plan.
- **Practice makes perfect!** Create mock scenarios for you and your family to run through so you're ready during a storm. Don't forget to include pets too.
- **Prepare your home.** One of the key steps to preventing storm damages and avoiding outages is making sure your home is prepared. During a storm, tree limbs are greatly responsible for power outages. [Learn more](#) about the benefits of tree trimming and how DTE can help.

Put together an emergency supply kit

Another important step in preparing for severe weather is putting together an emergency supply kit. A storm may limit access to some of our everyday essentials, so having a backup supply can help us get through it with greater ease. Some ideas of what to include in a basic emergency supply kit are:

- Battery-operated flashlight or lantern and extra batteries
- NOAA weather radio
- Candles and candle holders
- Matches
- First aid kit
- One gallon of water per person per day for several days (for drinking and sanitation)
- At least a several-day supply of non-perishable food (and a can opener if food is canned)
- Disposable plates and utensils
- Wind-up or battery-powered clock
- Corded telephone (cordless phones don't work during an outage and your cell phone might not have service if towers are affected).
- Blankets
- Sleeping bag
- Cash

Other ideas may include:

- Backpack to store your supplies
- Tissues
- Toilet paper and bags for personal sanitation
- Entertainment – paper and markers, cards, board games, etc.
- Formula and diapers
- Extra pet food and water
- A change of clothes for each person in the home
- Paper towels
- Fire extinguisher

Determine what items are most important to you and your family and be sure to include them in your kit.

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CONDOMINIUM HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Lake Orion Michigan 48362

04/19/2013

To: Co-owners & Tenants
From: Board of Directors

Subject: Portable Grill Policy

Recently, there was a loss control survey of the Atwater Commons Condominiums by the MySafetyPoint Company (3/22/2013). This survey was required by the Mid-Century Insurance Company that handles our insurance. Based on their recommendations, as well as inspections and comments from the Village of Lake Orion Fire Chief, we will need to implement and enforce a new portable grill policy.

Co-owners and tenants please be advised that these measures are being implemented to reduce fire safety issues and work to keep our insurance premium rates at their current levels. Failure to comply with this policy will result in Co-owner fines and surely impact our insurance premiums negatively.

Atwater Rules and Regulations - Portable Grills:

All open flame charcoal, wood or LPG gas grills are prohibited from being used or stored on all balconies within the Atwater Commons Condominium grounds effective May 01, 2013.

Charcoal, electric and LPG gas grills *only* can be used on the ground floor but must be kept at least ten (10) feet from combustible materials including but not limited to trees, plants, brush and all sides of the building.

After use, grills can be allowed to cool down near garage areas, but cannot be left out overnight.

Note: This notice will be sent out to Co-owners annually, no later than April 15, by the property manager to stay in compliance with our loss control efforts.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Questions can be directed to Paula Granowicz - AMI Property Manager at (pgranowicz@amicondos.com) or by phone at (586-739-6001) or at an Atwater Commons Board meeting.