



CITY OF GULFPORT, FLORIDA

Gateway to the Gulf

Plywood Hurricane Panels

New or replacement Windows in the City of Gulfport must have shutters or impact glass

Limited to (4' x 8') panels

Wood structural panels with a minimum thickness of 7/16 inch and a maximum span of 8 feet shall be permitted for opening protection in one and two-story single family buildings. Panels shall be pre-cut and pre-drilled to cover the window openings with attachment hardware permanently installed on the building. The panels must lap over the sides of the walls at least 3 inches. Do not fit the shutters inside the opening.

- 1) FASTENER SIZE – ¼ inch diameter.
- 2) FASTENER LENGTH – must go 2 inches deep into the wall.
- 3) FASTENER SPACING – no more than 16 inches apart.
- 4) FASTENERS – must be vibration-resistant & permanently installed.
- 5) FASTENERS – must be corrosion resistant.

For larger openings or other code approved shutters and panels, please submit the certified test report or certification by an engineer. For more information refer to Florida Building Code 2010 (Sec. 1609.1.2).

