

Creating Your Disaster Supply Kit

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During an emergency situation, you may not have time to gather up supplies. This is why preparing a disaster kit in advance is important. The following checklist can be used when preparing your kit for sheltering in place or evacuation, depending on the situation. Plan for at least three days, and keep in mind that some items such as medication might only be able to be added in later or require regular replacement.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Battery-Powered Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Books and Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Bugspray and Sunscreen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Sanitizer | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlights | <input type="checkbox"/> Dust Masks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two-Week Medication Supply | <input type="checkbox"/> Cash | <input type="checkbox"/> Portable Phone Chargers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra Clothing | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Perishable Foods | <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries/Hygiene Items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Manual Can Opener | <input type="checkbox"/> Important Documents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blankets and Pillows | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe Water Supply | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Needs Items (i.e. formula, other special diets) |

Pet Supply Kit

If your family owns pets, the following checklist can be used to make sure their necessary supplies are included in your disaster supply kit. It is also important to plan for where you pets will go if you need to evacuate, as not all shelters are pet-friendly.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Leash/Harness/Muzzle | <input type="checkbox"/> Photos of Your Pets | <input type="checkbox"/> Toys or Comfort Items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Collars with Rabies & ID Tags | <input type="checkbox"/> Carriers | <input type="checkbox"/> Tick/Flea/Heartworm Preventative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Food & Extra Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Litter and Poop Bags | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning Supplies (Paper towels, gloves) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Important Papers (Vet Records, Microchip Information, Proof of Ownership) | | |

Emergency Water Supply

You should store at least enough water to allow for each person in the house to use 1 to 1.5 gallons per day for at least three days. Store additional water to account for any children, elderly, nursing mothers or household pets.

“Preparing to Evacuate Your Home in Case of An Emergency” by Elizabeth B. Bolton, Muthusami Kumaran and Angela B. Lindsey, <https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/fy616>

“Preparing and Storing a Safe Drinking Water Supply” by Shuchi Shukla, Muthusami Kumaran, and Angela B. Lindsey, <https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/fy616>