

HURRICANE TIPS FOR PET OWNERS

► Build your go bag:

- Include at least two weeks of supplies in your go bag.
- Medications, medical records (stored in a waterproof container), and a first aid kit.
- Sturdy leashes, harnesses, and/or carriers to transport your pet safely.
- A photo of you and your pet to help validate ownership in case you are separated during the storm.
- Food, potable water, bowls, cat litter/pan, and a can opener.
- Written feeding schedule, medical conditions, behavior problems, and the name and number of your veterinarian.
- Pet bed and toys if easily transportable.

► Pet-friendly sheltering:

- It is important to have an evacuation plan with your pet in mind.
- Contact your veterinarian and local shelters to see if they are able to board pets during an emergency.
- Pet-friendly shelters are becoming more common, but they often fill up quickly.
- Identify pet-friendly shelters and hotels on your potential evacuation route and outside of the evacuation zone as part of your family emergency plan.

► Developing a pet emergency plan:

- <https://www.floridadisaster.org/planprepare/pet-plan/>
- <https://www.ready.gov/pets>

► Microchipping & collars:

- <https://sheltermedicine.vetmed.ufl.edu/2018/11/08/re-think-the-microchip-and-boost-your-return-to-owner-rate/>
- <https://www.foundanimals.org/microchip-registry/>

► Pet-friendly sheltering:

- <https://www.floridadisaster.org/planprepare/disability/evacuations-and-shelters/shelter-information/sheltering-with-pet/>
- <https://petfriendlytravel.com/pet-friendly-evacuation-shelters/>



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