



Emergency Preparedness Services Department

What should we put in our “Pets Go Kit” if we had to evacuate in an emergency?

Here is a check list of items you should pack for each pet, giving you at least 72 hours of supplies if you can't stay in your home due to an emergency evacuation:

- Enough food for regular feedings to last 72-hours, or up to two weeks' worth.
- Water, each pet should have ½ gallon per day available.
- Water bowl & food bowl
- Medications and pill pockets/pouches
- Pet first aid supplies:
 - gloves, hydrogen peroxide, swabs, antibiotic ointment, adhesive tape, oral syringe, or turkey baster, roll of gauze, tweezers and scissors with a blunt end, saline eye solution. Styptic powder or stick. Pet safe soap. Pet first aid booklet.
- A blanket or bed
- Favorite toy
- Extra Leashes and extra collar or harness with identification tags.
- Plastic waste bags
- Paper towels and or pee pads
- Grooming equipment -if your pet likes to be brushed, this may calm a frightened pet.
- Blinking LED light that can clip on collar.
- Kennel or carrier for containment and travel.
- Documents in a waterproof container like a thick zip lock bag:
 - A picture of you and your pet. This helps to identify the pet and you as the rightful owner. Your contact information, your pet's Veterinarian contact information and any medical/vaccination history for each pet.

Place items (except the kennel) in a waterproof container like a 2–5-gallon bucket with a sealable lid, like the ones that contain 5 gallons of paint from a home improvement store. This will keep both water and insects out (because the container will contain food). Remember that if it is not safe for you to stay at home in an emergency, it is not safe for your pet. Plan ahead, have the kit, water, and kennel ready before it is needed.

Tips:

- ✓ Some hotels or evacuation shelters do not allow pets, check with hotels and local emergency agencies to find out the pet rules or accommodations.
- ✓ Check your Pet Emergency Kit at least annually for expiration dates and to replace food.