



Pack A Go Bag

While gathering your emergency kit, pack a go bag for each family member. These are your personal emergency bags you grab, when say, the fireman or police officer knocks on your door and tells you to evacuate immediately. Put these items in a backpack or other easy carry case, and keep it in an easy-to-reach location, like an entry-hall closet or under your bed. And pack lightly as possible and tag your bag with your name and address.

Go-Bag Items

- Flashlight
- Battery-operated radio
- Extra batteries
- Whistle
- Dust mask
- Pocket knife
- Emergency cash in small bills, quarters for pay phone and pre-paid phone card
- Butane lighter and matches
- Sturdy shoes, a change of clothes, warm hat
- Local and regional maps
- Water and food (snacks and one or two bottles per person)
- Permanent marker, paper and tape
- Photos of family members and pets for identification purposes
- List of emergency contact phone numbers
- List of food or drug allergies (especially antibiotics)
- Copy of health insurance and i.d. cards
- Extra prescription eye glasses, hearing aid or other vital personal items
- Prescription medications and first-aid supplies
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Extra keys to your house and vehicle
- Any special-needs items for children, seniors or disabled family members.

Go-Bag Items for Pets

- Sturdy leashes and pet carriers. (A pillowcase is a good option for transporting cats and other small animals.)
- Food, potable water and medicine for at least one week
- Non-spill bowls, manual can opener and plastic lid
- Plastic bags, litter box and litter
- Recent photo of each pet
- Names and phone numbers of your emergency contact, emergency veterinary hospitals and animal shelters
- Copy of your pet's vaccination history and any medical problems