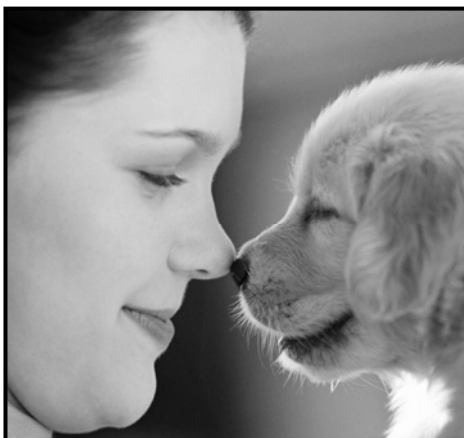




## Disaster preparedness checklist (for pets)

Do you have the following items in one place or container?

- 🐾 Your written family disaster plan
- 🐾 Your disaster preparedness kit
- 🐾 Crate and bedding
- 🐾 Food, water, manual can opener and bowls
- 🐾 Plastic bags, paper towels
- 🐾 Newspaper (can be shredded for cat litter), disinfectant
- 🐾 Spare collar, leash and harness
- 🐾 Muzzle (can use a thin belt or even roll type gauze)
- 🐾 Identification tags (should be on your pet)
- 🐾 Current medical/vaccination records
- 🐾 Extra daily meds or current prescription
- 🐾 Current photos showing front and side view
- 🐾 Towels, blankets, toys for pet comfort
- 🐾 A list of hotels and boarding kennels that accept pets
- 🐾 Detailed care instructions for each pet with their photo
- 🐾 First aid kit
- 🐾 Flashlights/batteries
- 🐾 Copies of health certificate from vet
- 🐾 Out-of-state telephone contact
- 🐾 Flat tire repair kit
- 🐾 Duct tape, sheet plastic, “zip” ties (wire ties)



Your pets depend on you for care, especially if a disaster strikes.

**Kits.** Just as you do with your family’s emergency supply kit, think first about the basics for survival, particularly food and water. Consider 2 kits; one for sheltering in your home without electricity and another for evacuating your home with your pets. Be sure to review your kits often to ensure freshness and content.

**Food.** Keep at least three (preferably 5) days of food in an airtight, waterproof container. Rotate this supply when you buy more food.

**Water.** Store at least 3 days (preferably 5) of water for your pets in addition to the water you need for yourself and your other family members.

**Identification.** Your pet should always have some form of identification on them. Include a back-up collar, leash and harness with another ID tag in your kits. Put all paperwork in your kit inside a baggie. Permanent types of identification for your pet, such as a microchip, are recommended.

Photos. Having detailed photos of your pet (& photos of you *with* your pet) can assist others in helping you if your pet gets separated from you. It also helps establish ownership. Include detailed information such as species, breed, age, sex, color and distinguishing characteristics with the photo.

**First Aid.** Talk to your vet about what is most appropriate for your pet’s needs. Most kits should include cotton bandage rolls, bandage tape and scissors; antibiotic ointment, flea/tick prevention, rubber gloves, isopropyl alcohol and saline solution. Include a pet first aid reference book as well.

**Sanitation.** Include pet litter and a little box if appropriate. Newspapers, paper towels, plastic trash bags, and bleach will help you keep things clean. Dilute bleach 9 parts water to one part bleach. To purify water, use 16 drops of regular bleach per gallon of water. Don’t use bleach with any additives.

Additional Information about preparedness kit contents and being ready if a disaster or outbreak occurs can be found at:

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