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Go Bag

Your go bags are kept packed and ready at hand for a quick 3-day evacuation out of the region. Each member of your household, including pets, should have a go bag, but no one bag needs to have all of these supplies. Balance loads for weight and content across all bags (i.e., don't place all of the food in a single go bag).

Essentials

- Amount of water that you can carry PLUS water purification method (purification tablets, small hand pumps)
- Food: 3-day supply of non-perishable, nutrient-dense food for evacuation (include energy bars)
- Manual can opener
- Battery-powered, solar, or hand-crank NOAA weather radio
- Two flashlights (one handheld, one headlamp) with extra batteries stored outside of the flashlight
- Small first aid kit, supplemented with Celox, trauma pads, athletic tape, Betadine, and disposable gloves
- Signal whistle
- Lighter or waterproof matches
- P100 mask
- Medications (minimum 7-day supply)
- Glasses, contact lenses with solution, hearing aids with backup batteries
- Personal hygiene and comfort items: menstrual products, lip balm, pain relievers
- Sanitation: toilet paper, hand sanitizer, moist towelettes, 2 trash bags, 5 large zippered bags, and plastic zip ties
- Pocket multi-tool knife
- Work gloves
- Compass
- Cell phone with chargers, battery backup, and/or solar charger
- Sturdy shoes
- Complete change of sturdy clothing including a long-sleeved shirt and long pants

- Two pairs of socks
- Eye protection: sunglasses, safety goggles, and baseball cap
- Weather protection: rain poncho, shell jacket, or cold-weather jacket as needed
- Sunscreen and bug spray as needed
- Regional map with possible evacuation routes marked
- Notebook and pencil
- Important documents on a USB thumb drive
- Pet gear: sturdy leash, harness, collar with ID tags; collapsible water bowl; 7-day supply of normal food and medications

Extras

- Sleeping bag or two Mylar blankets and duct tape to make your own emergency bag
- Tarp with 100' paracord to secure it overhead or an one-person tent. Add a second ground tarp to stay dry.
- Sillcock key
- Backpacking stove and cookset and utensils with fuel canisters
- Two-way radio (store batteries outside of the units)
- Folding shovel
- Saw
- Reminder to grab extra keys to your house/vehicle and copies of important personal documents and cash (small bills)
- Reminder to retrieve items stored elsewhere
- Pet gear: crate for smaller animals not on voice control, cat litter and box as needed

