

FAMILY "GO BOX" CHECKLIST



Emergency Supplies: Each family or individual's kit should be customized to meet specific needs, such as medications and infant formula. It should also be customized to include important family documents. Try to assemble your kit well in advance of an emergency. The amount of food and water should reflect what is necessary for a minimum of seven days.

Recommended "Go Box" contents:

Water, one gallon of water per person per day, for drinking and sanitation
Food, at least a seven-day supply of non-perishable food
Battery-powered radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries
Flashlight and extra batteries
First Aid kit
Infant formula and diapers, if you have an infant
Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
Dust mask or cotton t-shirt, to help filter the air
Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils

Stock up today and store in a water resistant container. Replenish as necessary, especially at the beginning of hurricane season, June 1.

Cash or traveler's checks, change
Paper towels
Matches in a waterproof container
Paper, pencil
Disinfectant
Household chlorine bleach
Important Family Documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank
account records in a waterproof, portable container
Emergency reference materials such as a first aid book
Garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
Change of clothing, rain gear, sturdy shoes
Extra blankets or sleeping bags and/or air mattress
Personal hygiene items (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.)
Mosquito Repellent
Fire Extinguisher (small canister, ABC type)
Quiet games, books, playing cards, etc.
Instant tire sealer



EVACUATION CHECKLIST



Evacuations are more common than many people realize, each year transportation and industrial accidents release harmful substances, forcing people to leave their homes. Fires and floods cause evacuation even more frequently. And almost every year people along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts evacuate in the face of approaching hurricanes. When community evacuations become necessary, local officials provide information to the public through the media.

Implement the Call to alert all family members of the danger and immediate evacuation
Notify family members to secure their homes and when/where they should meet
Preserve Records (Home/Vehicle titles, Mortgage holder and account numbers, Banking info, Insurance Policies)
Run through Family Plan to ensure the communications methods are up-to-date and family members are aware of responsibilities after the incident
Check Disaster Supplies Kit
Secure home: Unplug appliances, Close and lock doors and windows.
Turn off electricity, water, and gas
(for wind event) Protect the windows and glass doors! If you do not have impact resistant windows, install shutters or plywood to cover glass. Brace double entry and garage doors at the top and bottom.
(for wind event) Clear property or tie down any items that could become flying missiles in high winds, e.g. lawn furniture, potted plants, and trash cans.
Fill cars and equipment gas tanks and check oil, water and tires. Gas pumps do not operate without electricity.
Obtain sufficient cash for personal needs
Follow recommended evacuation routes. Be Alert.
Review maps with the community's evacuation routes, public sheltering locations, hospitals and organizations such as hotel or motels that could shelter your family.
Congregate at the appropriate meeting place to verify all family members are accounted for