Evacuation Go-Bag Checklist

After an emergency, you may need to be away from your home for several days. Being prepared means having your own food, water and other supplies to last for 24-72 hours. An Evacuation Go-Bag is a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency. Since you do not know where you will be when an emergency happens, it is ideal to prepare supplies for home, work and vehicles.

Pack these essential items so you can leave quickly and safely if an evacuation is ordered.

Important Documents

TIP: Upload essential files, photos, documents to a secure cloud-based storage system. Keep printed copies of your important documents (not necessarily originals) in your go-bag.

- ☐ Identification (driver's license, passport)
- ☐ Insurance policies
- ☐ Medical records and prescriptions
- ☐ Emergency contact list
- ☐ Copies of important legal documents
- ☐ Cash and credit/debit cards

Health & Medical Supplies

- ☐ Prescription medications
- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Eyeglasses or contact lenses
- ☐ N95 masks for smoke protection
- ☐ Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes

Communication & Electronics

- ☐ Cell phone and charger
- ☐ Portable battery pack/power bank
- ☐ Laptop or tablet and charger
- ☐ Flashlight and extra batteries
- ☐ Battery-powered or hand-crank radio

Clothing & Personal Items

- ☐ Change of clothes (1-3 days)
- ☐ Sturdy shoes and socks
- ☐ Jacket or sweatshirt
- ☐ Toiletries and personal hygiene items

Food & Water

- ☐ Bottled water
- ☐ Nonperishable snacks and food

Pets

- ☐ Pet food and water plus bowls
- ☐ Leash, carrier, and supplies
- ☐ Medications

Before You Leave

- ☐ Take your go-bag
- ☐ Bring cell phone and charger
- ☐ Gather family members and pets
- ☐ Tune to **AM 1610** for local emergency information
- ☐ Follow evacuation alerts immediately

Special Considerations:

- Keep your go-bag in an easy-to-access location and review its contents at least twice a year.
- If you have young children, make a reunification plan in case your family is separated during an evacuation. Appoint several trusted adults to pick up your children if you cannot. Make sure your child's school knows those individuals are authorized to take your child in an emergency.
- Pack a mini go-bag for children to have during Extreme Fire Danger days in case of an evacuation while at school or other activities.