

Disaster Preparedness Checklist for Your Pet

- Collar with tag(s) and a sturdy leash + Extra collars, harnesses and leashes
- ID tags, rabies tag, microchip ID tag with updated contact information
- Any pet medications
 - Ask your vet about keeping extra supplies or medication, or a copy of prescriptions for these medications in your kit. Be sure to replace medications before they expire!
- Medical records and current vaccinations
 - Some boarding facilities and public shelter will not admit animals without current vaccines.
- Current (less than a year old) photograph of each pet (with owner) to prove ownership if you are separated from your pet
- Secure carrier or collapsible cage for large dogs for each pet and bedding.
 - Carriers should be large enough for the animals to stand comfortably and turn around and house a litter box if appropriate. Allow your pets to become familiar with their carriers ahead of time so they will feel secure and comfortable in case they need to live in them for several days or even weeks after a storm.
- Food (at least a 2-week supply), stored in watertight containers in a cool, dry place
- Water (at least a 2-week supply)
- Manual can opener
- Cat litter, liners and a pan
- Plastic trash bags to handle waste
- Newspaper, paper towels and disinfectant for clean-up
- Toys and any special comfort items that can fit in the crate with the animal
- Muzzle, if necessary. Use extra precaution handling your pet. In a disaster, animals may not act normally.
- Emergency contact information, including name and phone number. If possible, include an out of area contact as well.