

Weather**READY**

plan for it.

Family Disaster Plan

Is your family prepared for a weather emergency? WeatherREADY is designed to raise awareness of the importance of disaster preparedness by providing you with tools to protect and prepare yourself and your family for severe weather events.

Tip: Make several copies of this form and complete a new one each season (pertinent information may change).

Name _____
School _____
Home Address _____
City _____ State ____ Zip ____
Phone (____) _____ Email _____
Number in Household ____

Family Action Plan

- Decide where to go if at home, school, work, outdoors or in a car when a weather warning is issued. You may need to designate different places for different weather events. Update these plans as seasons change, every school year, and if school or employment changes.
- Agree upon a place to meet if separated during a severe weather emergency.

If we are separated during a severe weather emergency, our designated meeting place is:

Family Communication Plan

- Designate a friend or relative outside of the area as your contact in the event you are separated from one another during a severe weather emergency.

Our in town contact is:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Our out of town contact is:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Family Evacuation Plan

- If your area is vulnerable to weather extremes that would require actual evacuation of your area, get a good map and plan various evacuation routes, avoiding low lying areas. Conduct several test runs of different routes.

The evacuation route we take in case of a weather emergency:

Family Disaster Supplies Kit:

- A disaster supplies kit should be assembled and kept in one designated place in the home. It is also advised that you keep a duplicate kit in your car. Kits should be stocked with everything you and your family will need in the event of a weather emergency.
- Perishable contents should be changed or replenished every six months.

Essentials are assembled in ____ kit(s) kept in:

(1) _____

(2) _____

Family Disaster Supplies Kit Checklist: Perishable Items last checked ___/___/___

Use this CHECK LIST for kit essential items below.

ESSENTIALS

- Flashlight
 - Extra batteries
 - Battery powered radio
- (Do not include candles, which cause more fires after a disaster than anything else)

WATER

- 3 gallons per person, minimum, in a food-grade, plastic container

FOOD — Minimum 3-day supply of non-perishable food

- Dry cereal
- Peanut butter
- Canned fruits
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned juice
- Ready-to-eat canned meats
- Quick energy snacks
- Graham crackers
- Ready-to-eat soups

FIRST AID KIT — Including prescription and non-prescription medicines

- Eye-glasses
- Dentures
- Laxatives
- Anti-diarrhea medication
- Antacid (for upset stomach)
- Aspirin or non-aspirin pain reliever

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

- Non-electric can opener
- Utility Knife
- Paper cups, plates & utensils
- Shut-off wrench to turn off house gas and water
- Map of the area (for location shelters)

SANITATION SUPPLIES

- Water
- Disinfectant
- Household chlorine bleach
- Soap
- Toilet paper
- Plastic bucket with tight lid
- Plastic garbage bags & ties

SPECIAL NEED ITEMS for infants, elderly and pets

- Family pets: Be sure that your pets have current identification tags and make arrangements for a safe place to take your pets if severe weather strikes (most disaster shelters do not allow pets).

For more disaster information on keeping pets safe, visit www.redcross.org

CLOTHING AND BEDDING

- One complete change of clothing and sturdy shoes per person

EXTRA SET

- Car keys
- Credit cards, or travelers checks

IMPORTANT FAMILY PAPERS in a water and fire proof container

- Copy of insurance policies, deeds, stocks, passports, birth certificates
- Inventory of household goods
- Record of bank account numbers
- Important telephone numbers

ENTERTAINMENT

- Games and books

- **Post your family disaster plans in a highly visible central location in your home.**
- **Review the plans with your family to make sure everyone understands their respective roles in the event of a weather emergency.**