

READY TO RESPOND

# Your Go Bag Checklist

A Go Bag contains what you'll need if a disaster leads to an evacuation. The bag can be any portable, durable container like a backpack, duffle bag or suitcase on wheels. Make sure you can grab them quickly in the event of an emergency.

**Go Bag Checklist** Customize this list to your own needs.

 <input type="checkbox"/>	Copies of important documents in a waterproof container (insurance cards, birth certificates, deeds, photo IDs, proof of address, etc.).	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Extra set of car and house keys.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Credit and ATM cards and cash, especially in small denominations.
 <input type="checkbox"/>	Bottled water—at least three days' worth, if possible.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Nonperishable food, such as energy or granola bars.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Flashlights or glow sticks.
 <input type="checkbox"/>	Backup battery or charger for phone.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Extra batteries.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Laptop or tablet.
 <input type="checkbox"/>	A list of allergies and medications each member of your household takes, including condition and dosage.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Extra medications.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Pet food and supplies.
 <input type="checkbox"/>	Hand sanitizer.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Contact and meeting place information for your household, and a small regional map.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Toys or books for children.
 <input type="checkbox"/>	Lightweight raingear.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Warm clothing.	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Extra glasses, contacts, and sunglasses.

## Evacuation Guide

Things to think about and plan for, before and during an evacuation.

- Carefully read all flyers posted by building staff for evacuation updates and emergency information.
- Plan places where you will meet family and/or friends, both in and outside your immediate neighborhood. Confirm these locations before an evacuation.
- Practice your plans with evacuation drills.
- If you have a car, keep a full tank of gas. Gas stations may be closed during a disaster. Take one car per household to minimize delay.
- If you do not have a car, plan a way to evacuate. Make arrangements with family, friends or local government services.
- Familiarize yourself with alternate routes and other means of transportation away from your area.
- Leave early to avoid being trapped by severe weather.
- Follow recommended evacuation routes. Do not take shortcuts as they may be blocked.
- Be alert to road hazards and do not drive into flooded areas.
- Listen to a battery-powered radio and follow local evacuation instructions.
- Take your pets with you, but be aware that only service animals may be permitted in public shelters. Check local shelter information to see if they accept animals. Plan how you will care for your pets in an emergency.

### If time allows:

- Secure your home by closing and locking doors and windows.
- Unplug televisions, hairdryers, toasters and other small appliances. Leave refrigerators plugged in if there is no risk of flooding.
- If instructed to do so, turn off water, gas and electricity before evacuating.
- Wear sturdy shoes and protective clothing.
- Check with neighbors who may need help evacuating.



In case of disaster, display this sign in the most visible location, either your front door or window, if you DO NOT need help.

The image shows the letters 'KNO' in a very bold, black, sans-serif font. The 'K' is on the left, the 'N' is in the middle, and the 'O' is on the right. They are set against a plain, light gray background.The image shows the word 'HELP' in a very bold, white, sans-serif font. The letters are set against a background of diagonal stripes in black and gray, creating a high-contrast, attention-grabbing effect.

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