Home Emergency Preparedness Checklist

Keep the items you will most likely need during an evacuation in an easy-to-carry, waterproof container.
Be mindful that this is a basic list of supplies. A more comprehensive list can be found in the Home Emergency Management Guide.

- Water (1 gallon per person per day; at a minimum, have a three-day supply)
- Food (choose nonperishable, easy to prepare, healthy foods; at a minimum, have a three-day supply)
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Radio: Battery-powered or hand-crank radio AND a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio with an audible alert
- Cell phone with charger and backup battery or emergency charging device
- Tools: Multipurpose tool, manual can opener, and wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Whistle (to signal for help)
- First aid kit
- Medications (seven-day supply) and required medical devices
- Sanitation and personal hygiene items (including items like garbage bags, moist towelettes, and toilet paper)
- Copies of personal documents:
  - Medication list and relevant medical information
  - Proof of address
  - Lease or deed to home
  - Passports/Birth certificates
  - Insurance policies (home, auto, health, etc.)
- Family and emergency contact information
- Extra cash
- Printed maps of the area
- Special needs:
  - Glasses, contact lenses, hearing aids, etc.
  - Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers, etc.)
  - Games and activities for children
  - Pet supplies (ID, vaccination record, leash, carrier, food, and water – one-half to 1 gallon of water per pet per day)
- Additional supplies:
  - Personal protective equipment: Masks for everyone ages 2 and above, soap, hand sanitizer, and disinfecting wipes
  - Matches in a waterproof container
  - Plastic sheeting, duct tape, and scissors
  - Tools and supplies to secure your house
  - Household liquid bleach (unscented)
  - Mess kits, paper cups, plates, paper towels disposable utensils
  - Paper and pencil
  - Rain gear (waterproof poncho, umbrella, etc.)
  - Extra clothing, hat, sturdy shoes, and work gloves
  - Towels
  - Blankets or sleeping bags
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▶ Maintaining and Storing Your Kit

☐ Store in a cool, dry location
☐ Replace expired items as needed
☐ Update the kit annually and as personal needs change
☐ Keep in a designated place in your home and make sure all household members know where it is stored

▶ Automobile Emergency Supply Kit

☐ Water
☐ Canned food and/or energy bars
☐ First aid kit
☐ Flashlight with extra batteries
☐ Safety light sticks
☐ Blankets or sleeping bags
☐ Jumper cables
☐ Trash bags
☐ Pencil, pen, and paper
☐ Metal whistle with lanyard or string to hang around your neck
☐ List of emergency contacts with phone
☐ Weather alert radio
☐ Emergency phone charger
☐ Extra cash and change

Visit the Extension Emergency Resources website for additional information and resources.

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