

Pet Emergency Planning

Identify at least 2 backup caregivers

who can care for your pet(s) in case usual care gets disrupted. Make sure each person:

- has keys to your home
- is comfortable with your pet(s)
- knows where to locate your pet emergency supply kit
- has a copy of the care plan

Have an evacuation plan

for your pet(s) in case an emergency requires you to leave your home. Consider:

- temporary housing for your pet(s)-most public shelters do not allow pets (service animals are allowed), so consider staying with relatives or at a hotel/motel that allows pets; if you must board your pet(s), consider animal boarding facilities, animal shelters and veterinary offices/hospitals
- transportation-arrange for a neighbor or other person you trust with your pet(s) to transport them, if needed
- identification-a collar with your pet's name and your contact information (including your shelter, if you know that information)
- licenses for service animals (you may be asked for this if you need to go to a shelter).



Make an emergency kit for pets,
and include items such as:

- food
- a manual can opener (if needed)
- water
- bowls
- a collar/leash/harness
- a pet carrier (for smaller animals)
- supplies for managing waste (such as plastic bags and newspaper or a litter box and litter)
- copies of vaccination and medical records
- medications with dosage information/instructions
- a photo of the pet with its name on it
- care plan

