



Family Disaster Plan

Is your family prepared for a weather emergency? SafeSide® 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).

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) _____

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



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/disaster/safety/pets.html

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.**