



Dog Scouts of America Emergency Evacuation Kit Contents

Disaster Preparedness

An Evacuation kit should contain the items listed below at a minimum. Your kit should be in an easy to carry, waterproof container that is stored in a closet, basement or other easy to access location. Only remove an item from the kit if you need it to help you evacuate or if you are replacing an item that has an old expiration date. It can be great to do a trial run with your kit and try to care for your dog for 5 days using only the items in the kit. This lets you see if you have enough of everything or if something needs to be added.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION KIT CONTENTS:

General items

- A list of items in the kit, placed on top of all other items
- A full gas can stored in a safe place outside the home
- Complete First Aid Kit
- Wire, pliers and duct tape
- Clean up supplies including paper towels, garbage bags, Ziplock bags
- List of phone numbers
 - Veterinarian and list of secondary veterinarians/emergency clinics
 - Pet friendly motels
 - Boarding facilities
 - Microchip registry
 - Animal poison control center
 - Local animal shelters
- A note taped on top of the kit to listing all medications for each family member
- Battery powered radio and extra batteries
- Plastic/paper plates and utensils, can opener and utility knife
- Note on top to remind you to grab items that may be in the safe, if appropriate
- Bottle of wine and a corkscrew if desired

Items Kept with the Kit or in a Household Safe

- Money in the form of small bills*
- Important papers*
 - Bank account information
 - Passport
 - Copy of drivers' license/state ID
 - Deed to home
 - Insurance information
 - Business papers/electronic files

For each human household member

- Clothes suitable for the season
- Food that doesn't require refrigeration or cooking, enough to last 5 days
- Bottled water enough to last 5 days – may include Gatorade at a 5:1 ratio with water



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- Flashlight and extra batteries
- A spare phone charger and a power stick charger

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Add a blanket, pillow and other comfort needs as well as emergency candles to make your kit appropriate for an any emergency, whether you are required to shelter in place or evacuate to another location.

For each dog in the household

- Spare collar and leash (additionally, a long line is suggested)
- Emergency contact information attached to the collar including
 - Cell phone number
 - Phone number of an out-of-state friend or relative
 - Phone number of a national registry that has your contact information
- Properly sized crate that is clearly marked with your contact information dog's name, microchip number, description of dog, veterinarian, etc.
- Recent photographs of the dog from all sides so that it's easy to claim the dog should you become separated
- Proof of vaccinations and list of medical needs
- Food enough to last 5 days, in pre-measured bags or include a measuring cup
- Water enough to last 5 days
- Food and water bowls and a can opener if needed
- Something for the dog to chew on to relieve stress
- A favorite toy (may be a duplicate)
- A shirt you have worn and has your scent on it placed in a plastic bag
- First Aid Kit containing aspirin, an emergency muzzle and Benadryl that contains no additives - can be combined with the human first aid kit if preferred
- Clean up supplies including poop bags, paper towels and garbage bags
- A reminder note taped on top of the kit to remind you to grab any medication the dog currently needs

It is recommended that your dog's emergency kit be reviewed every 6 months to change any items or add things needed seasonally, and to replace any expired item. Food included in your kit may need to be replaced every 3 months to ensure that the food in the kit is always fresh. Water should be replaced every 6 months. The shirt included in your dog's kit should be replaced every 6 months so that your scent on it is always strong.

You may wish to make an emergency kit for any other pets in your household. The list above can be used as a guide but be sure to add items as appropriate for the species.