

# PREPARING FOR AN OUTAGE



## Build an Emergency Preparedness Kit

-  **NON-PERISHABLES & WATER**  
Easy-to-prepare food that will not spoil quickly and does not require refrigeration. One gallon of purified or bottled drinking water per day, per family member.
-  **MEDICAL SUPPLIES**  
At least a 7-day supply of prescription or other necessary medications or supplements, such as allergy or vitamins. A fully-stocked first aid kit.
-  **PERSONAL HYGIENE**  
Toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, toilet paper, feminine products, and a hair brush or comb.
-  **TOOLS**  
Flashlights, battery-operated radio, extra batteries, tape, candle, matches, whistle, hammer, screwdriver, pliers, utility knife, work gloves, safety glasses and ear plugs.
-  **DOCUMENTATION**  
Copies of personal, financial and medical documents, such as identification cards, insurance policies, bank records, medical information, property deeds and emergency contacts saved electronically or in a waterproof, portable container.
-  **CLOTHING & BEDDING**  
An extra outfit, pair of shoes, sleeping bag and pillow for each family member.
-  **CHILDREN, ELDERLY & DISABLED**  
Diapers, wipes, rash cream, children's medicine, formula, bottles, snacks and entertainment. Applicable aids such as canes, walkers and other needs.
-  **PET SUPPLIES**  
Food, water, bowls, collar with tags, leash, carrier, litter, waste bags, prescriptions and vaccination records.
-  **MISCELLANEOUS**  
Consider a backup battery, fire extinguisher, escape ladder, small currency cash, chargers, cooler, writing utensils, sewing kit, scissors, tweezers, hand sanitizer, water proof container, paper towels and garbage bags.
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