



## "Go Bag" Checklist

Put together your emergency "Go Bag" long before a wildfire or other disaster occurs and keep it easily accessible so you can take it with you when you have to evacuate. Plan to be away from your home for an extended period of time. Each person should have a readily accessible emergency supply kit. Backpacks work great for storing these items (except food and water) and are quick to grab. Storing food and water in a tub or chest on wheels will make it easier to transport. Keep it light enough to be able to lift it into your car.

### KNOW YOUR EVACUATION ROUTE

#### What to Keep in your "Go Bag"

- A sturdy pair of shoes (preferably boots) and a spare flashlight near your bed and handy in case of a sudden evacuation at night
- Long sleeve shirt, long pants, cotton (all should be cotton or wool, bright colors are best)
- Leather work gloves
- Full coverage goggles
- Respirator (N95, available at most hardware stores)
- Map marked with at least two evacuation routes (if possible)
- Prescription medication (ask your doctor for a multi-day emergency supply, rotate annually)
- Water bottle
- A small supply of energy food
- Spare battery and charger for cell phone
- Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses
- An extra set of car keys, credit cards, cash or traveler's checks
- First aid kit (compact)
- Headlamp
- Flashlight (handheld)
- Battery-powered radio
- Spare batteries for flashlights, headlamp, and radio
- Sanitation supplies (toilet paper, feminine hygiene, baby wipes/diapers, etc.)
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports, etc.)
- **Pet supplies: carriers for each pet, leashes, food and water (multiple days worth)**

#### If Time Allows...

- Easily carried valuables
- Three-day supply of non-perishable food and three gallons of water per person
- Family photos and other small, irreplaceable items
- Personal computer information on hard drives and disks (off-site or cloud/online backup is best)
- Spare chargers for cell phones, laptops, etc.

#### Maintaining Your kit

After assembling your kit remember to maintain it so it's ready when needed:

- Keep canned food in a cool, dry place.
- Store boxed food in tightly closed plastic or metal containers.
- Replace expired items as needed.
- Re-think your needs every year and update your kit as your family's needs change.

