

# HORRICANE

## PREPAREDNESS TIPS

Essential Tips to Keep You Prepared!



### Create an Emergency Kit

*Prepare an emergency kit with:*

- Non-perishable food and water for at least 3 days
- First aid supplies and medications
- Flashlights, batteries, and a battery-powered radio



### Develop a Family Emergency Plan

- Identify a safe room or the safest areas in your home
- Plan evacuation routes and meeting places
- Ensure all family members know the plan and practice it regularly



### Stay Informed

- Monitor weather forecasts and updates from trusted sources
- Sign up for local emergency alerts
- Have a NOAA Weather Radio for real-time updates



### Protect Your Home

- Secure windows and doors with storm shutters or plywood
- Bring in outdoor furniture and secure loose items
- Trim trees and shrubs to minimize damage



### Know Your Evacuation Zone

- Learn your community's hurricane evacuation routes
- Follow the instructions of local officials during an evacuation order
- Have a plan for your pets



### Stay Connected

- Charge all electronic devices and have backup power sources
- Keep a list of emergency contacts
- Use social media responsibly to stay updated and inform others of your status



America's Seaplane City



# DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST



## General

- Two week minimum supply of medication, regularly used medical supplies, and a list of allergies
- A list of the style, serial number, and manufacturer information of required medical devices
- Batteries
- Flashlights  
*Do not use candles*
- NOAA Weather Radio  
*Battery operated or hand cranked*
- Cash  
*Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm*
- Cell phone chargers
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children

## Phone Numbers

- Maintain a list of important phone numbers including:  
*County emergency management office, evacuation sites, doctors, banks, schools, veterinarian, a number for out of town contacts, friends and family*

## Clothing

- Rain gear such as jackets, hats, umbrellas and rain boots
- Sturdy shoes or boots and work gloves

## Special Needs Items

- Specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and family members with disabilities

## First Aid

- First Aid Manual
- Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes
- Sterile gauze pads
- Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
- Triangular bandages
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Sewing needle
- Moistened towelettes
- Antiseptic
- Disinfectant wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Thermometer
- Tube of petroleum jelly
- Safety pins
- Soap
- Latex gloves
- Sunscreen
- Aspirin or other pain reliever
- Anti-diarrheal medicine
- Antacid
- Laxative
- Cotton balls
- Q-tips

## Food and Water

- Food  
*Nonperishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary items to last at least 7 days*
- Water  
*1 gallon per person per day*
- Non-electric can opener
- Paper plates
- Napkins
- Plastic cups
- Utensils

## Important Documents

- Insurance cards
  - Medical records
  - Banking information
  - Credit card numbers
  - Copies of social security cards
  - Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates
  - Other personal documents
  - Set of car, house, and office keys
  - Service animal I.D., veterinary records, and proof of ownership
  - Information about where you receive medication, the name of the drug, and dosage
  - Copy of Will
- \*Items should be kept in a water proof container*

## Vehicle

- Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline

## Pet Care Items

- Pet food and water to last at least 7 days
- Proper identification
- Medical records/microchip information
- A carrier or cage
- Muzzle and leash
- Water and food bowls
- Medications
- Supplies for your service animal

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