

TAKE CARE OF YOUR **PETS** IN AN **EMERGENCY**



TIPS TO HELP SECURE YOUR PET'S SAFETY IN AN EMERGENCY:

Plan ahead and identify a pet-friendly place to go to with your animals if you have to evacuate your home. Texas does have pet friendly emergency/evacuation shelters if alternative sheltering is not available.

1. Remain aware of the risks and hazards in your area

2. Use a microchip or collar ID with up-to-date contact information



3. Know where to look for your pet if they are afraid so that you can evacuate faster

4. Carry a picture of you and your pet in the event of separation



5. Take a pet carrier or crate with you for transport and safe keeping



6. Put together a pet emergency go kit



YOUR **PET** EMERGENCY GO KIT SHOULD INCLUDE:

- Basic first aid supplies
- 7-10 day supply of food and water
- Food and water dishes
- Copies of veterinary records and proof of ownership
- Leash and collar or harness (for each animal)
- Cage/carrier (one for each animal, labeled with your contact info)
- Manual can opener
- Instructions for care
 - Diet: record the diet for each of your animals
 - Medications: list each animal separately, and for each medication include the drug name, dose and frequency. Provide veterinary and pharmacy contact information for refills
- Muzzles (dog or cat)
- Stakes and tie-outs
- Flashlight, radio and batteries
- Paper towels and wet wipes
- Waste clean-up supplies (litter, litter pan, scoop and trash bags)
- Emergency contact list
- Familiar items to make pets feel comfortable (favorite toys, treats, blankets)
- Map of local area
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