

The Emergency Supplies & Preparedness Calendar is intended to help you take appropriate preparedness actions and create a 3–7 day disaster supply kit before the next emergency happens. Using the calendar, you can assemble an emergency kit in small steps over a six month period. Check off each of the items you collect or the actions you take during the week. Store individual items that could be damaged by moisture in airtight plastic bags and compile all items in a sturdy plastic container with wheels, putting the heavy items at the bottom. When medical supplies, flashlights and emergency items are placed near the top, they can be located quickly for inspecting and restocking. Remember to rotate your perishable supplies and change

## **MONTH ONE**

water every six months. Complete kits can also be purchased through many business or online merchants.

Week One	Week Two	Week Three	Week Four
Grocery Store  ☐ 1 gallon of water* ☐ 1 jar peanut butter* ☐ Hand-operated can opener ☐ Instant coffee, tea, powdered soft drinks ☐ Permanent marking pen to mark date on cans & water container ☐ Whistle to signal help	Hardware Store  ☐ Crescent wrench** ☐ Heavy duty rope** ☐ Duct tape ☐ 2 flashlights - hand crank or battery operated ☐ Batteries for flashlights ☐ Bungee cords** ☐ Water proof matches ☐ Scissors	Grocery Store  1 gallon of water* 1 can meat/fish/tofu* 1 can fruit* 1 large can of juice* Sanitary napkins Video disc (see below) Moist towelettes Garbage bags	Hardware Store  ☐ Crow bar** ☐ Smoke alarms with batteries ☐ Tarp**
To Do	To Do	To Do	To Do
<ul> <li>□ Establish an out-of-state contact to call in case of emergency.</li> <li>□ Prepare a list of important phone numbers: out-of-state contact, physicians, resident's family members, insurance company, etc.</li> <li>□ Make an emergency plan. Follow the companion Emergency Plan Worksheet.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Check your house for hazards.</li> <li>□ Identify which hazards you will reduce first.</li> <li>□ Locate your gas meter and water valves and place your shut off tool near each utility.</li> <li>□ Obtain extra hearing aid batteries and oxygen tanks as necessary.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Use a video camera to record the contents of your home for insurance purposes.</li> <li>□ Store copy of DVD with friend/family member who lives out of town.</li> <li>□ Investigate home/ rental insurance.</li> <li>□ Date each can of food using a marking pen or highlight the expiration date found on each item.</li> </ul>	□ Install or test your smoke/ fire/carbon monoxide alarms. Replace batteries once a year. □ Secure water heater to wall studs. Follow recommendations on the USGS website at www. usgs.gov. □ Make extra copies of resident's medical insurance information

<sup>\*</sup> Purchase one item per person

<sup>\*\*</sup> Determine size based on your need

#### **MONTH TWO** Week Five Week Six Week Seven Week Eight First Aid Supplies First Aid Supplies **Grocery Store Grocery Store** □ 1 gallon of water\* Aspirin and/or ibuprofen 1 gallon of water\* □ Scissors □ 1 can meat/fish/tofu\* Compresses **Tweezers** 1 can ready-to-eat soup □ 1 can fruit\* Rolls of gauze or (not concentrate)\* □ Antiseptic ☐ 1 can vegetables\* bandages Thermometer 1 can fruit\* ☐ 2 rolls toilet paper\* First aid tape □ Disposable hand wipes/ 1 can vegetables\* Adhesive bandages ☐ Personal hygiene items: □ Extra adult diapers hand sanitizer toothbrush, toothpaste, in assorted sizes ☐ Sewing kit deodorant, comb, etc. Cold packs ☐ Waterproof plastic container for first aid Also: special food for special supplies diets. To Do To Do To Do To Do ☐ Have a fire drill at home. ☐ Take first aid/CPR class. ☐ Take a PEP (Personal ☐ Encourage staff to have an Develop a sanitation plan. Obtain a camp stove **Emergency Preparedness)** emergency kit and plan at Identify how you will disand fuel to boil water as or CERT (Community their own homes. pose of adult diapers and needed. Store outside **Emergency Response** Share your Facility's plan other waste. the home. Team) class through the with the families of each Fire District. resident.

#### **MONTH THREE** Week Nine Week Ten Week Eleven Week Twelve **Grocery Store** Hardware Store **Grocery Store** First Aid Supplies ☐ Anti-diarrhea medicine ☐ Waterproof portable ☐ 1 gallon of water\* ☐ 1 gallon of water\* Large plastic food bags\*\* ☐ 1 can ready-to-eat soup plastic container (with Rubbing alcohol lid) for important papers 1 box quick energy snacks 2 pair of latex gloves (not concentrate)\* ☐ Liquid dish soap ☐ Portable AM/FM radio 3 rolls paper towels Sunscreen ☐ 1 quart plain liquid bleach (with batteries) ☐ 1/4 teaspoon (or 1ml) Also: items for denture care, if 1 flashlight (hand crank measuring device (for ☐ 1 box heavy-duty garbage needed. or battery operated) use with bleach to treat bags water) Also: space blanket, blankets Also: saline solution and a contact lens case if needed. or sleeping bag for each resident. To Do To Do To Do To Do ☐ Place a pair of hard sole ☐ Store rolls of quarters for ☐ Consider storing ☐ Tour your home and visit shoes and a flashlight use at vending machines your main electrical panel, important documents under each bed so that gas meter valve and water on a password protected and laundry mats. they are handy after an thumb drive, CD or meter valve. Ensure staff earthquake. encrypted email account. understands how and when to turn them off.

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Month Four					
Week Thirteen	Week Fourteen	Week Fifteen	Week Sixteen		
Hardware Store  ☐ Whistle ☐ A-B-C Fire extinguisher** ☐ Pliers** ☐ Local area maps ☐ Hand warmers ☐ Extra batteries for radio and flashlight	Grocery Store  1 can fruit* 1 can vegetables* 1 package paper plates* Eating utensils Package paper cups Adult vitamins	Hardware Store  ☐ Extra flashlight batteries ☐ Masking tape ☐ Hammer** ☐ "L" brackets or flexible straps to secure tall furniture to wall studs ☐ Different size tarps	Grocery Store  ☐ 1 can meat* ☐ 1 can vegetables* ☐ Facial tissue		
To Do  Call your local Police Department and find out if you have a neighborhood watch group.	To Do  Call your local Fire Department or emergency management agency and see if there is CERT training available.	To Do  ☐ Brace shelves and cabinets. ☐ Secure fish tanks and bird houses	To Do  Make a plan to check with your neighbors who might be able to help you during an emergency.		
Month Five					
Week Seventeen	Week Eighteen	Week Nineteen	Week Twenty		
Grocery Store  ☐ 1 box graham crackers ☐ Assorted plastic containers with lids ☐ Assorted safety pins ☐ Dry cereal  Also: extra clothing like jacket,	Hardware Store  □ Double sided tape or velcro-type fasteners to secure moveable objects □ Extra rope □ 5 gallon bucket	Grocery Store  ☐ 1 box heavy duty garbage bags ☐ 1 box quick energy snacks (granola bars/raisins) ☐ Pen and paper	Grocery Store  ☐ Camping or utility knife ☐ Extra radio batteries		
towels, hat, umbrella, gloves, shoes, etc.					
To Do  ☐ Identify at least two modes of transportation methods to assist you should you need to evacuate residents out of your neighborhood.	To Do  ☐ Practice your evacuation and emergency plan. ☐ Research how to become a licensed ham radio operator.	To Do  ☐ If you are a licensed ham radio operator, contact a local government agency to volunteer for emergency service.	To Do  ☐ Have an earthquake drill at home.		
Month Six					
Week Twenty One	Week Twenty Two	Week Twenty Three	Week Twenty Four		
Hardware Store  ☐ Heavy work gloves ☐ 1 box disposable dust masks ☐ Screw driver** (consider a variety) ☐ Plastic safety goggles	Grocery Store  ☐ Extra manual can opener ☐ 1 large can of juice	Hardware Store  □ Battery powered camping lantern with extra batteries or extra flashlights	Grocery Store  ☐ Large plastic food bags ☐ Plastic wrap ☐ Aluminum foil		

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# Create a Facility Emergency Supplies Kit

#### To Get Started

- Review the companion Emergency Plan Worksheet
- Check your house for supplies that you already have on hand.
- Decide where to store supplies. Remember to store individual items that could be damaged by moisture or rodents in airtight plastic bags and compile all items in a sturdy plastic container with wheels.

### Meet With Your Staff to Plan

- Discuss the types of disasters that could occur. Explain how to prepare and how to respond.
- Discuss what to do if you need to evacuate.
- Make preparedness team activity, talk with your staff about the importance of preparedness and have them take an active role in your planning.
- Practice your plan. Have an evacuation drill with staff and appropriate residents.
- At the end of six months, review what you have done. Evaluate, rotate and supplement supplies and preparedness actions as needed.
- Review the Residential Care Facility Evacuation Training Video (www.firedepartment.org/seniorsafety)

## **Suggested Foods**

Select foods by your resident's needs and preferences.

- Water: Remember to have 1 gallon per person per day.
- Canned Meat: tuna, chicken, raviolis, chili, beef stew, spam, corned beef, tofu, etc.
- Vegetables: green beans, kernel corn, peas, beets, kidney beans, carrots, etc.
- Fruit: pears, peaches, mandarin oranges, apple sauce, etc.
- Cereal: Your favorite dry and oatmeal varieties, etc.
- Quick Energy Snacks: granola bars, raisins, etc.
- Don't forget your manual can opener.
- Remember to rotate your supplies every six months.

# **Storage Tips**

- Keep food in dry, cool spot dark area if possible.
- Keep food and supplies in a closed container at all times.
- Inspect all food for signs of spoilage and expirations dates.
- Use foods before they go bad, and replace them with fresh supplies.
- Mark all foods with purchase date. Use ink or a marking pen. Place new items at the back/bottom of the storage area/container, and older ones in front/top.

<sup>\*</sup>Use or replace these items at the suggested time.