

Pet Preparedness

Pets need a 72-hour kit as well:

- ☐ Food, water, bowls, litter box, medicine, first aid supplies and health records.
- ☐ Leashes and pet carriers should be together and accessible.
- ☐ Identify pet-friendly places to stay within a 50-mile radius. Keep your pet with you if at all possible during a disaster.
- ☐ Horses and companion livestock should not be turned loose or locked in a barn during an emergency. A large fenced area is the best way to protect your animals in a disaster involving extreme weather events.
- ☐ Always have a week's supply of food on hand and under cover.
- ☐ Have an emergency source of water if services are disrupted.
- ☐ Have transportation to evacuate. Remember that borrowing from a neighbor may not be feasible.
- ☐ Have current health/vaccination records, proof of ownership and brand or microchip identification.
- ☐ Identify nearby and distant evacuation sites ~ boarding facilities, fairgrounds, arenas etc.
- ☐ Keep a first aid kit in your truck or trailer.
- ☐ Production livestock should not be turned loose or locked in a barn. A large fenced area is the best way to protect your animals in a disaster involving extreme weather events.
- ☐ Maintain a contact list of normal and alternate suppliers.
- ☐ Know your brand inspectors and extension agents.
- ☐ Membership in a growers or producers organization that can provide assistance in an emergency will reduce losses.
- ☐ Know how to reach your insurance agent in the event of losses.
- ☐ When possible, move stock out of flood or fire zones in advance; provide extra feed in severe weather events.