

PET OWNERS AND DISASTERS

Pet owners should make arrangements for their animals. You should be aware that your pet is not allowed to stay with you at a Reception Centre or Group Lodging Facility due to health regulations. The City will set up a Pet Centre, but the more you can provide, the better it will be for your pet.

If you are evacuated, TAKE YOUR PET WITH YOU. When you receive your evacuation alert, prepare both you and your pet. Keep your pet in the house or ensure that it is restrained. Many pets will leave the area due to their response to your reactions and/or their instinct regarding natural disasters. Your voice and actions should project assurance and calm to your pet.

If for some reason, you must leave your pet. Leave it in the house, fill bathtubs and sinks with water and leave plenty of food in a safe, accessible area. Leave familiar bedding and safe toys. Place a notice on your front door advising the types and numbers of pets left in the house. Provide a phone number where you or another contact can be reached. Never leave your animals outside!

You should include the following items in a basic disaster preparedness kit for your pet:

- PORTABLE CARRIER OR COLLAR OR HARNESS AND LEASH
- SUPPLY OF FOOD AND WATER IN PLASTIC CONTAINERS
- FOOD AND WATER BOWLS
- SUPPLY OF PET'S REGULAR MEDICINES
- PET HEALTH AND VACCINATION RECORDS
- BLANKET OR OTHER BEDDING
- INSTRUCTIONS ON FEEDING SCHEDULE AND DIET, MEDICATIONS AND ANY SPECIAL NEEDS
- PHOTO OF YOURSELF AND YOUR PET
- BASIC FIRST AID KIT

You should include the following items in a basic first aid kit for your pet:

- LARGE, WEATHERPROOF CONTAINER (LIKE A TACKLE BOX)
- THERMOMETER
- SYRINGE
- SCISSORS (BLUNT POINTED)
- TWEEZERS
- ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT
- ANTISEPTIC SOAP
- SALINE SOLUTION
- BURN GEL
- STYPTIC PENCIL, BLOOD STOP POWDER, ETC.
- RESCUE REMEDY
- 1 ROLL OF 2 INCH GAUZE
- 2 ROLLS OF 4 INCH STRETCH GAUZE BANDAGE
- 1 ROLL OF 2 INCH POROUS ADHESIVE TAPE
- 4 STERILE NON-ADHESIVE TELFA PADS
- 10 2x2 INCH GAUZE SQUARES
- PET FIRST AID BOOKLET

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR PETS IN YOUR
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