

## The Basics:

- Food & water
- Flashlights & extra bulbs
- Cell phone with charger
- Battery-operated radio
- Battery-operated lanterns
- Batteries (in different sizes)
- Matches (in a waterproof container)
- First aid kit
- Duct tape
- Bleach or iodine tablets for sanitizing water
- Cash
- Clock (wind-up or battery-powered)
- Plastic garbage bags & ties
- Fire extinguisher
- Scissors
- Manual can opener
- Clothing & bedding
- Heavy gloves
- Pet supplies (pet carriers/leashes/harnesses, bedding, food and water dishes, medication, cat litter, toys, ID tag)

## Food & Water:

Pack non-perishable food for each person for 3 - 7 days.

- Bottled water (1 gallon per person per day for drinking & 1 gallon per person per day for food preparation & sanitation)
- Bottled juice
- Two coolers (One for drinks & one for food)
- Comfort/stress foods (cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals, lollipops, instant coffee, tea bags)
- Canned foods
- Staples – sugar, salt, pepper in water proof containers.
- High energy foods like crackers, granola bars, trail mix
- Paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils



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## Medical Needs:

- Medic-alert tags
- Insect-repellent sprays
- Sunscreen
- Soap
- Prescription medication
- Vitamins
- Aspirin or non-aspirin pain reliever
- Anti-diarrhea medication
- Antacid
- Laxative
- Over-the-counter medication
- Children's medicine
- Bandages
- Adhesive tape
- Antiseptic solution
- Thermometer
- Tweezers

## Sanitation:

- Toilet paper, towelettes, soap, baby wipes, liquid hand sanitizer
- Liquid detergent
- Feminine supplies
- Personal hygiene items (toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, etc.)
- Plastic bucket with tight lid
- Household chlorine bleach, disinfectant



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## Clothing & Bedding:

- At least one complete change of clothing & footwear per person
- Sturdy shoes or work boots
- Towels
- Rain gear
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Pillows
- Hat and gloves
- Sunglasses
- Tent
- Lawn chairs

## Baby & Infant Needs:

- Special foods (enough for several days)
- Formula (enough for several days)
- Extra diapers
- Diaper rash ointment
- Baby wipes
- Powder
- Bottles
- Pacifier
- Favorite toy/blanket
- Medicine dropper

## Entertainment:

- Games
- Books
- Cards
- Coloring books & crayons

## Miscellaneous:

- Paper & pencil
- Needles & thread
- Camping utensils
- Map of the area (for locating shelters & returning)
- Emergency preparedness manual
- Citronella candles
- Cash or traveler's checks (Tip: Have enough cash to sustain you through a 2 week period. Without electricity, most businesses will not accept credit cards and may not accept traveler's checks.)



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## Tools & Supplies:

- Aluminum foil
- Handsaw
- Razor knife
- Ax or chain saw
- Nails & screws
- Ladder
- Portable generator
- Wheelbarrow
- Bucket, mop, & broom
- Fire extinguisher
- Hammer
- Screwdriver
- Pliers & wrenches
- Rope
- Shovel & rake
- All-purpose cleaner
- Sandbags
- Plywood
- Plastic sheet/drop cloth
- Tarps to cover roof
- Portable A/C unit
- BBQ grill
- Extra filled propane tanks
- Utility knife
- Fire extinguisher (small canister ABC type)
- Compass
- Signal flare
- Shut-off wrench to turn off household gas & water
- Whistle

## House Checklist:

- Remove or secure outdoor items
- Trim dead branches from trees
- Board up windows
- Fill gas tanks and extra gas containers
- Move furniture away from windows
- Store important documents in waterproof containers
- Get extra cash



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## Possessions & Documents:

- Keep these records in a waterproof, portable container:
  - Will, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, stocks & bonds
  - Passports, social security cards, immunization records
  - Bank account numbers
  - Credit card account numbers and companies
- Inventory of valuable household goods
- Important telephone numbers
- Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates)
- Pet records (including immunization records)

## Emergency Car Kit:

In case you need to leave quickly during a hurricane, always keep an emergency kit in your car too. Make sure you include:

- Non-perishable food
- Flares
- Jumper cables
- Maps
- Tools (like a roadside emergency kit)
- A first aid kit and instructions
- A fire extinguisher
- Sleeping bags
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- GPS device or smartphone



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