

Tsunami, Earthquakes, Snowstorms, Flooding...Are you a prepared Alaskan?



This checklist can help you prepare for any emergency or disaster.

Detailed how-to guides are available at the Fire Department and other emergency service organizations.

FOOD PREPARATION / COOKING

- Have a rotating stock of 14-30 days of basic canned and bulk foods you like to eat
- Comfort foods, snacks, vitamins
- Baby needs (diapers, bottle liners, formula, baby wipes, etc.)
- Paper plates, aluminum foil, zip-lock bags
- Non-electric can opener
- Propane ranges most will operate without electricity (not for space heating)
- Portable propane stove (use in well ventilated areas only)
- Charcoal barbecues and gasoline stoves (use outside only)
- Fireplace or wood stove can warm or cook food and melt snow

WATER

- Store water in jugs or bottles
- Water heater (turn off before draining)
- Toilet tanks (water is safe in tank)
- Pools, tubs (store water for washing, etc.)
- Snow melting requires a lot of fuel
- Streams (must be treated)
- Water treatment filters or water treatment tablets to treat drinking water
- Household bleach to treat raw water, add 16 drops per gallon of water and allow to stand for 30 minutes for chlorine to act

HEAT

- Wood stoves and fireplaces
- Clean, inspect and maintain chimneys
- Matches, fire starter, and adequate firewood for 30 days continuous use
- Kerosene heaters and other fueled space heaters (use in well ventilated areas only)

POWER

- Surge protectors for electrical equipment especially computers
- Unplug unnecessary appliances if power goes out to avoid power surges
- Portable generator, extension cords, and fuel for generator (operate generator outside)
- AA battery pack adapter for cellular phones
- Batteries for flashlights, radios, etc. (store in refrigerator for longer life)
- Hearing aid or other special use batteries

LIGHTS

- Flashlights
- Propane lanterns (use in well ventilated areas only)
- Oil lanterns and lantern fuel
- Candles
- Matches placed with each lantern and candle

SANITATION

- Extra trash bags for trash
- Paper towels, toilet paper, and towelettes
- Outhouse, portable toilet or five-gallon pail with trash bag liners
- Personal hygiene items and baby wipes

CLOTHING / BEDDING

- Warm clothing
- Sleeping bags or extra blankets and quilts

PET SUPPLIES

- Food & water
- Medicine

FINANCES

- Cash (one week to one month cash reserve)
- Records (up to date copies of all financial records)

DOCUMENTS

- Birth Certificates, Marriage Certificates, and Wills
- Passports, Social Security cards, mortgage papers, and payment histories
- Last year's tax records

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- Insurance policies and investment records
- Bank account records, loan payments, bill receipts, credit card records
- Lease Agreements, Deed of Trust, promissory notes
- School / college transcripts
- Medical records and vaccination records

MEDICAL

- Alternative housing plan if required due to a medical condition
- Prescriptions (thirty day supply)
- Medications and medical supplies

TRANSPORTATION

- Fill all fuel tanks

HOME SAFETY

- Complete First-Aid kit
- Large fire extinguisher(s)
- Battery operated smoke detector and CO detector
- Portable radio
- Basic tool kit
- Know location of utility shut-offs (water, electricity, water, propane, etc.)
- Store extra fuel in an appropriate safe location

Consider placing essential items in a kit or cache location so they can be found quickly.

Consider possible relocation sites if your home is uninhabitable for any reason.

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