

Your evacuation checklist:



Always do this...

PREP YOUR COMMUNICATIONS:

- Keep** your cell phone fully charged.
- Notify** an out-of-area contact of your phone number, location and status. Update regularly.
- Leave** a note with your contact info and out-of-area contact taped to fridge or inside a front window.

KEEP ON YOUR PERSON:

- Dress** all family members in long sleeves and long pants; heavy cotton or wool is best, no matter how hot it is.
- Wear** full coverage goggles, leather gloves, head protection.
- Cover** faces with a dry cotton or wool bandanna or scarf over an N95 respirator. **Tie** long hair back.
- Take** a headlamp and flashlight (even during the day).
- Carry** car keys, wallet, ID, cell phone, and spare battery.
- Drink** plenty of water, stay hydrated.
- Put** "Go Kits" in your vehicle.

PETS AND ANIMALS:

- Locate** your pets and place in carriers NOW. You won't be able to catch them when the fire approaches.
- Pets are wearing tags and are registered with microchips.
- Place** carriers (with your pets in them) near the front door, with fresh water and extra food.
- Prepare** horses and large animals for transport and consider moving them to a safe location early, before evacuation is ordered.



When you leave...

- Leave immediately** if ordered.
- Don't wait**—if you feel unsafe or conditions worsen, leave early.
- Assist** elderly or disabled neighbors.
- Carpool** with neighbors.
- Take** only essential vehicles with adequate fuel.
- In your car**, turn on headlights, close windows, turn on inside air and AC, tune to local radio.
- Drive slowly** and be observant.
- Take** the fastest paved route to a valley floor, away from the fire.
- Know at least two routes.** Proceed downhill, away from the fire.
- If roads are impassable or you are trapped: take shelter in a building, car, or an open area; stay far from vegetation; look for wide roads, parking lots, playing fields, etc.
- If trapped**, you are better protected inside a building or vehicle.
- Don't abandon your car** in the road. If you must leave your car, park it off the road.
- Evacuate on foot only as a last resort.
- Don't evacuate by fire road, uphill, or into open-spaces near unburned vegetation.
- Remain calm**—panic is deadly.

HANDY SHOPPING LIST (START SMALL AND WITH A FEW ITEMS AT A TIME)



WILDFIRE & EMERGENCY Go Kit

- Sturdy shoes or boots
- Long sleeve shirt, long pants (cotton or wool, bright colors are best)
- Floppy cotton hat (to keep embers out of hair)
- Leather work gloves
- Full coverage goggles
- N95 respirator
- Cotton bandanna
- A copy of this flyer and map

- Prescriptions medications (ask your doctor for a multi-day emergency supply, rotate annually)
- Spare battery & charger for phone
- Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses
- Extra set of car keys
- Credit cards, cash or traveler's checks
- First aid kit (compact)
- Headlamp and Flashlight (handheld)
- Battery-powered radio
- Spare batteries
- Sanitation supplies
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports, etc.)

PET SUPPLIES:

- Carriers for each pet
- Leashes
- Pet food and water

ITEMS TO TAKE IF TIME ALLOWS:

- Easily carried valuables
- Family photos and other small, irreplaceable items
- Personal computer information on hard drives and/or disks (offsite or "cloud" backup is best)
- Laptop or tablet & spare chargers



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