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Better Together

Tip 7: Caring for your pet during a disaster

After an earthquake your first thought is keeping your family safe. Your pet is part of your family!



So what do you need to have on hand for your pet beforehand? Here are [checklists](#) of things to consider for your pet's needs.

PET DISASTER KIT CHECKLIST

DOCUMENTS

- Photocopied veterinary records
 - Vaccinations
 - Medical summary
 - Rabies certificate
 - Prescription for medications
 - Most recent FALV/IV test result (cats)
- Photocopied registration information (ex: proof of ownership or adoption records)
- Pet description(s) (ex: breed, sex, color, weight)
- Recent photographs for each of your pets
- Waterproof container for documents
- Microchip information (ex: microchip number, name and number of the microchip company)
- Your contact information (phone numbers and addresses for your family and friends or relatives you may be staying with)

WATER, FOOD, MEDICATIONS

- 2-week supply of food for each animal stored in waterproof containers
- 2-week supply of water for each animal
- Non-spill food and water dishes
- Manual can opener
- Feeding instructions for each animal
- 2-week supply of any medications (if applicable)
- Medication instructions (if applicable)

OTHER SUPPLIES

- Collar with ID
- Litterbox and litter (cats)
- Pet first aid book and first aid kit
- Appropriate-sized pet carrier with bedding, blanket, or towel
- Cleaning supplies for accidents (paper towel, plastic bags, disinfectant)




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PET DISASTER KIT CHECKLIST

DOCUMENTS

- Photocopied veterinary records
 - Rabies certificate
 - Vaccinations
 - Medical summary
 - Prescriptions for medications
 - Most recent heartworm test result (dogs)
- Photocopied registration information (ex: proof of ownership or adoption records)
- Pet description(s) (ex: breed, sex, color, weight)
- Recent photographs for each of your pets
- Waterproof container for documents
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- 2-week supply of any medications (if applicable)
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- One month supply of flea, tick, and heartworm preventative

OTHER SUPPLIES

- Leash, collar with ID, and harness
- Toys
- Appropriate-sized pet carrier with bedding, blanket, or towel
- Pet first aid book and first aid kit
- Cleaning supplies for accidents (paper towel, plastic bags, disinfectant)




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In addition, if you can't care for your pet yourself, it's smart to complete in advance [the vital information the pet caregiver may need](#). It will come in handy for all kinds of situations – not just disasters.

PET BOARDING INSTRUCTIONS

Fill out this form and attach to your pet's carrier.

Name: _____ Sex: _____ Breed: _____

Address: _____

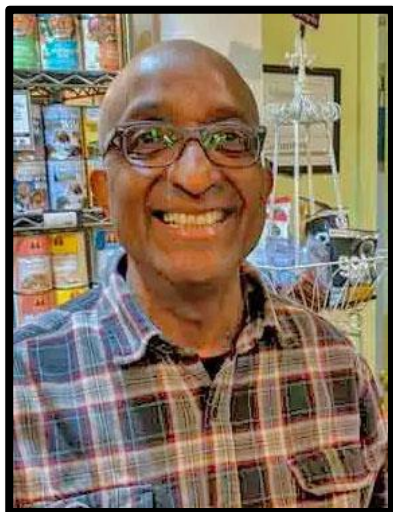
Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Special Instructions: _____

Other: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____



For even more information on caring for your pet in an emergency, you can watch a video of Serge Ouattara's presentation to the Elizabeth Lofts on [Pet Preparedness](#) or find it on [ELEC's web site](#).