Don’t forget important pet documents:

- Microchip information
- A photo of yourself with your pet for proof of ownership
- Phone number to regular vet and emergency vet
- Vaccination records
- Copy of pet license

Hamilton County Public Health

Emergency Pet Kit

Make A Kit
Stay Informed
GET READY!

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Get ready!
Get your pet ready before it’s too late. Follow these steps to get your pet disaster ready:

1. **Build a Kit** – Gather supplies for your pet and store them in a portable container that is easy to manage, like a plastic bin or duffle bag.

2. **Make a Plan** – Designate a local emergency contact who can care for your pet if you can’t take them with you, or identify a safe place for them to stay locally like a shelter or clinic. Identify an out-of-town contact who can house your pet temporarily.

3. **Stay Informed** – If a disaster occurs, be prepared to set your emergency plan in motion.

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### Your Pet Kit should have:

- **3–7 days worth of pet food**
- **Supply of water (1 gallon, per pet, per day for at least 3 days)**
- **Feeding dishes**
- **Treats**
- **Blanket or pet bed**
- **Old towel**
- **Toy, chewy bone, or comfort item**
- **Muzzle – even the nicest pet can bite in response to fear or anxiety**
- **A traveling bag, crate, or sturdy carrier for each pet**
- **Disinfectant spray**
- **Disposable gloves**
- **Disposable bags for clean-up**
- **Disposable litter trays and kitty litter scoop (aluminum roasting pans work, too)**
- **Leash, spare collar or harness, and extra ID tags with current information (your pet should wear a collar with rabies and identification tags at all times)**
- **Reflective dog tag, vest, or battery-operated clip-on flashing light in case you are in the dark**

### Your pet first aid kit should have:

- **Gauze pads**
- **Bandages – self-clinging Vet Wrap sticks to itself, not to fur**
- **Adhesive first aid tape**
- **Tweezers**
- **Towel**
- **Disposable gloves**
- **Flashlight or penlight**
- **Sterile saline solution**
- **Blunt tipped scissors**
- **Styptic powder or pencil**
- **Antiseptic spray**
- **Antibiotic ointment**
- **Antihistamine – check with your veterinarian for correct dosage**
- **A supply of any medicine your pet requires**

**Important phone numbers:**

- **Pet friendly hotels or motels**
- **Veterinarian**
- **After-hours emergency veterinarian**
- **ASCPA Poison Control Center 1-888-426-4435**

**No pets allowed!**
Due to health and safety concerns, most shelters do not allow pets unless they are certified service animals. Have a plan for what to do if you can’t take your pet with you.

- **Designate a neighbor or out-of-town family member who is willing to look after your pet temporarily.**
- **Call your vet to see if they can recommend a boarding facility or shelter that would temporarily house your pet.**
- **Have your Pet Emergency Kit packed and ready so it is easy to grab during an emergency.**