72 Hour Kit Checklist



The 72-Hour Kit are essential supplies, tailored to meet the basic survival needs for a period of 72 hours during or after a disaster. Store emergency supplies in one location that is relatively safe, yet easily accessible if evacuation is required. Items may be stored in a suitcase, duffle bag, backpack, or individual pack.

First Aid Supplies

Adhesive bandages, various sizes

5 " x 9 " sterile dressing

Conforming roller gauze bandage

Triangular bandages

3 " x 3 " sterile gauze pads

4 " x 4 " sterile gauze pads

Roll 3 " cohesive bandage

Germicidal hand wipes or waterless, alcohol-based

hand sanitizer

Antiseptic wipes

Medical grade, non-latex gloves

Adhesive tape, 2 " width

Antibacterial ointment

Cold pack

Scissors (small, personal), tweezers

Assorted sizes of safety pins

Cotton balls, sunscreen

First aid manual

Non-Prescription and Prescription Medicine Kit Supplies

Aspirin and non-aspirin pain reliever

Anti-diarrhea medication

Antacid (for stomach upset)

Laxative

Prescriptions

Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses

Sanitation and Hygiene Supplies

Washcloth and small towel

Towelettes and soap

Tooth paste, toothbrush

Shampoo, comb, and brush

Deodorants

Razor, shaving cream

Lip balm, insect repellent

Feminine supplies

Heavy-duty plastic garbage bags and ties for personal

sanitation uses and toilet paper

Toilet paper

Equipment and Tools

Portable, battery-powered radio or wind-up

NOAA Weather Radio

Flashlight (wind-up) and/or extra batteries

Waterproof matches or in waterproof container

Manual can opener

Mess kit or paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils

Multi-purpose tool, sugar, salt, and pepper

Duct tape, whistle, work gloves

Paper, pens, and pencils

Needles and thread

Battery-operated travel alarm clock

Re-sealable plastic bags

Food and Water

Water (4 pints)

Ready-to-eat meats, fruits, and vegetables

Canned or boxed juices, milk, and soup

High-energy foods such as peanut butter, jelly, low -sodium crackers, granola bars, and trail mix

Special foods for persons on special diets

Cookies, hard candy

Cereals and powdered milk

Clothes and Bedding Supplies

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Complete change of clothes (3 day supply)

Sturdy shoes or boots

Rain gear, hat, sunglasses

Blankets/sleeping bags and camp pillows

Documents and Keys

Personal identification

Cash and coins (\$10.00), credit cards

Extra set of house keys and car keys

Copy of birth certificate, marriage certificate

Copy of driver's license, social security cards

Copy of passports, wills and deeds

Insurance papers, immunization records

Bank and credit card account numbers

Emergency contact list and phone numbers

Map of the area & phone numbers of places you could go