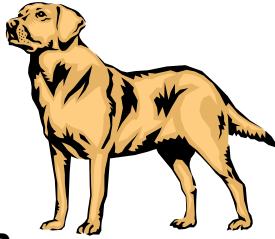


# Disaster Preparedness for Pets

Information provided by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and the San Diego Humane Society



If you evacuate your home prior to or during a disaster,

**DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PETS BEHIND!**

It's unlikely those pets will survive on their own.

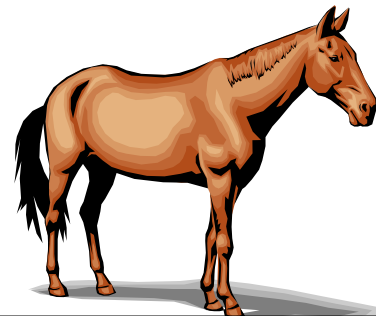
**Before** an emergency occurs, contact your local animal shelter, humane society, or veterinarian for information on caring for pets in an emergency. Find out if there will be any shelters set-up to take pets in an emergency and ask your veterinarian whether they will accept your pet in an emergency. Additionally, find out well in advance which local motels and hotels in your area allow pets.



## Assemble a Pet Emergency Preparedness Kit!

Include in your pet's Emergency Preparedness Kit:

- A secure pet carrier and leash or harness. Your animals should be accustomed to the pet carrier to allow for a quick evacuation.
- Well-fitting collar/leash with current rabies, license and ID tags. Be sure your pet's ID tag contains your name, address and phone number.
- Current health records and a color photo of your pet.
- Litter box, litter, scooper
- Enough food and bottled water for several days
- Food and water bowls, and a can opener
- Favorite toy, bones, etc.
- Medicines and supplies for pets with special needs
- Blankets
- First-aid kit



**For larger animals and livestock**, arrangements for evacuation, including routes and host sites, should be made far in advance. Trucks, trailers, and other vehicles suitable for transporting livestock should be available along with experienced handlers and drivers to transport them. Whenever possible, the animals should be accustomed to these vehicles in advance so they're less frightened and easier to move.

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

### San Diego Humane Society:

Business (619) 299-7012, or for assistance *in an emergency situation*, call (619) 299-0871 (24 hours a day).  
[www.sdhumane.org/programs/animalrescuereserve.cfm](http://www.sdhumane.org/programs/animalrescuereserve.cfm)

### San Diego Animal Control:

Business (760) 438-2312, or for assistance *in an emergency situation*, call (760) 438-1460 (24 hours a day).  
[www.sddac.com](http://www.sddac.com)