

Emergency Kits!

In an emergency, you will need some basic supplies. You may need to get by without power or tap water. Be prepared to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours.

You may have some of the items already, such as food, water and a batteryoperated or wind-up flashlight. The key is to make sure they are organized and easy to find. Would you be able to find your flashlight in the dark? Make sure your kit is easy to carry and everyone in the household knows where it is. Keep it in a backpack, duffle bag or suitcase with wheels, in an easy-to-reach, accessible place, such as your front-hall closet. If you have many people in your household, your emergency kit could get heavy.

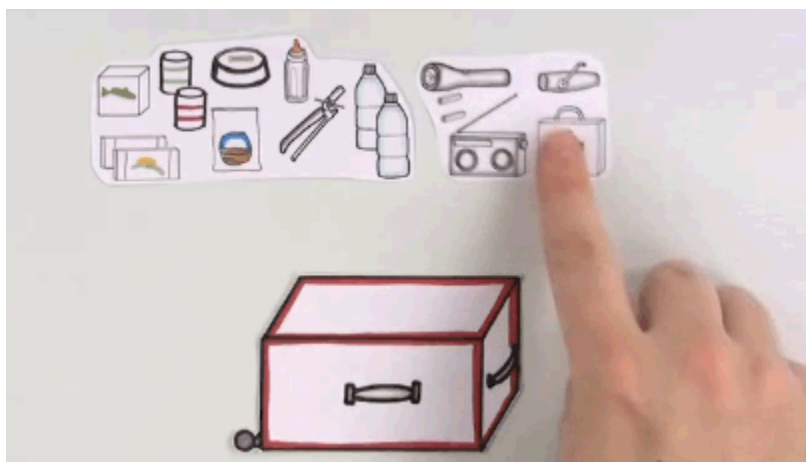
It's a good idea to separate some of these supplies in backpacks. That way, your kit will be more portable and each person can personalize his or her own grab-and-go emergency kit.

More information

- [Basic emergency kit](#)
- [Additional emergency supplies](#)
- [Emergency car kit](#)
- [Where to buy an emergency kit](#)

Preparing a Family Emergency Kit

It's your responsibility to start gathering supplies and start thinking about what your family will need for at least 72 hours in an emergency.



[View our short video "Preparing a Family Emergency Kit".](#)