

GOVERNOR'S DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

For immediate release:

EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT

AUSTIN – The Governor's Division of Emergency Management urges Texans to prepare for severe storms before they strike. Your family should have an emergency supply kit on hand. Your supplies should be kept in water resistant, easy-to-lift containers that you can move rapidly if necessary. This supply kit is appropriate for severe weather events as well as other emergencies. It should include:

- > First-aid kit
- Cash (power outages mean banks and ATMs may be unavailable)
- > Road maps
- ➤ Battery-operated radio and flashlight with extra batteries
- > Important documents and records, photo IDs, proof of residence
- Three-day supply of non-perishable food, one gallon of bottled water per person per day, coolers for food and ice storage
- > Fire extinguisher
- ➤ Blankets, sleeping bags and extra clothing
- Extra medications and prescriptions, hearing aids and other special medical items
- > Eyeglasses and sunglasses
- Toilet paper, clean-up supplies, duct tape, tarp, rope
- > Can opener, knife, tools, booster cables
- > Special supplies needed for babies, older adults or pets

Remember to change perishable supplies and water every six months.



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