Week 1 Grocery Store 1 gal. water* 1 sm jar peanut butter* 1 lrg can juice* 1 can meat* Hand-operated can opener Instant coffee, tea, powdered soft drinks Permanent marker 1 gal. water per pet	Week 2 Hardware Store □ Crescent wrench □ Heavy rope □ Duct tape □ 2 flashlights with batteries □ "Bungee" cords	Week 3 Grocery Store 1 gal. water* 1 can fruit* 1 can meat* Sanitary napkins 1 gal. water per pet	Week 4 Hardware Store Plumber's tape Crowbar Smoke detector with battery	Week 5 Grocery Store 1 gal. water* 1 can fruit* 1 can meat* 1 can vegetables* 2 rolls toilet paper* Extra toothbrush* Travel size toothpaste	Week 6 First Aid Supplies ☐ Aspirin and/or acetaminophen ☐ Compresses ☐ Rolls of gauze or bandages ☐ First aid tape ☐ Adhesive bandages- assorted sizes
Also: pet food, diapers and/or baby food if needed.	Also: a leash or carrier for your pet, if needed.	Also: pet food, diapers and/or baby food, if needed.	Also: extra medications/ prescriptions marked "emergency use", if needed.	Also: special food for special diets, if needed.	
 Make a family plan. Date each perishable food item using permanent marker. Identify tornado shelter areas in your home & work. 	 □ Check your house for hazards. Secure loose objects that may fly. □ Locate your gas meter and water shutoffs and attach a wrench near them for emergency use. 	 Record the contents of your home for insurance purposes. Store recording with friend/family member who lives out of town. 	☐ Install or test your smoke detector.	 □ Identify an outside meeting location for fire emergencies. □ Make sure all family members know the meeting location. □ Have a fire drill at home. 	 □ Check with your child's day care or school to find out about their disaster plans. □ Have a tornado drill at home.
Week 7 Grocery Store ☐ 1 gal. water* ☐ 1 can ready to eat soup* ☐ 1 can fruit* ☐ 1 can vegetables*	Week 8 First Aid Supplies □ Scissors □ Tweezers □ Antiseptic □ Thermometer □ Liquid hand soup □ Disposable hand wipes □ Sewing kit	Week 9 Grocery Store ☐ 1 can ready to eat soup* ☐ Liquid dish soap ☐ Plain liquid bleach ☐ Heavy duty garbage bags	Week 10 Hardware Store ☐ Waterproof portable plastic container (with lid) for important papers ☐ Portable am/fm radio (with batteries) ☐ Purchase a NOAA weather radio/receiver	Week 11 Grocery Store ☐ 1 lrg can juice* ☐ Large plastic food bags ☐ 1 box quick energy snacks ☐ 3 rolls paper towels	Week 12 First aid Supplies Anti-diarrhea medicine Rubbing alcohol Latex gloves Ipecac syrup and activated charcoal Vitamins
Also: extra plastic baby bottles, formula and diapers Establish an out of state contact to call in case of an emergency.	Also: extra eyeglasses Place a pair of shoes and a flashlight under your bed so that they are handy during an emergency.	Also: saline solution and a contact lens case Send some of your favorite family photos (or copies) to family members out of state for safekeeping.	Also: blankets or sleeping bag for each family member Make photocopies of important papers and store safely out of state for safekeeping.	Also: sunscreen Store a roll of quarters for emergency phone calls. Go on a hunt with your family to find a pay phone near home.	Also: items for denture care Take your family on a field trip to gas and water meter shut off valves. Show them what to do in an emergency.

Week 13 Hardware Store □ Whistle □ ABC fire extinguisher □ Pliers □ Vise grips	Week 14 Grocery Store 1 can fruit* 1 can meat* 1 can vegetables* Paper plates Eating utensils Paper cups	Week 15 Hardware Store Extra batteries Masking tape Hammer Assorted nails Wood screws	Week 16 Grocery Store 1 can meat* 1 can vegetables* Heavy duty garbage bags Kleenex Quick energy snacks (raisins, granola bars)	Week 17 Grocery Store □ Graham crackers □ Assorted plastic containers with lids □ Dry cereal □ Safety pins	Week 18 Hardware Store □ Heavy duty work gloves □ Disposable dust masks □ Screwdriver
☐ Take a first aid/CPR class.	☐ Make a plan to check on a neighbor who might need help in an emergency.		☐ Find out if you have a neighborhood safety organization and join it!	☐ Arrange for a friend or neighbor to help your children if you are at work.	□ Pack a "go-bag" in case you have to evacuate.□ Make an evacuation plan for your family.
Week 19 Grocery Store ☐ Heavy duty garbage bags ☐ Quick energy snacks (raisins, granola bars)	Week 20 Hardware Store ☐ Camping or utility knife ☐ Extra radio batteries Also: purchase an Emergency escape ladder for second story bedrooms	Week 21 Hardware Store □ Plastic safety goggles □ Plastic sheeting □ Duct tape	Week 22 Grocery Store □ Extra hand operated can opener □ 3 rolls paper towels	Week 23 Hardware Store □ Battery powered camping lantern with extra battery or extra flashlights	Week 24 Grocery Store □ Large plastic food bags □ Plastic wrap □ Aluminum foil
 □ Have an earthquake drill at home. □ Identify at least 2 evacuation routes out of your neighborhood. 	☐ Find out about your workplace disaster plans.	☐ Find out about chemical hazards near your home. ☐ Cut plastic sheeting to fit over inside of windows & doors for sheltering inplace.	 □ Find out about flood hazards that could affect your home. □ Have a plan if flooding occurs. 	☐ Find out what to do in a power outage.	 □ Review family emergency plans every 6 months. □ Practice fire, tornado, earthquake drills monthly (one each month).

The Family Disaster Supplies Calendar is intended to help you prepare for disasters before they happen. Using the calendar, your family can assemble an emergency kit in the small steps over a six-month period. Check off each week as you gather the contents. Supplies may be stored all together in a large plastic garbage can or food may be kept on kitchen shelves. Remember to rotate your perishable supplies and change water every six months.

To get started:

- Check your house for supplies that you already have on hand.
- Decide where you will store supplies.
- Meet with your family to plan.
- Discuss what to do if you need to evacuate.
- Practice your plan.

Select foods based on your family's needs and preferences. Pick low-salt, water-packed varieties when possible. Canned meats may include tuna, chicken, raviolis, chili, beef stew, spam, corned beef, etc.



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