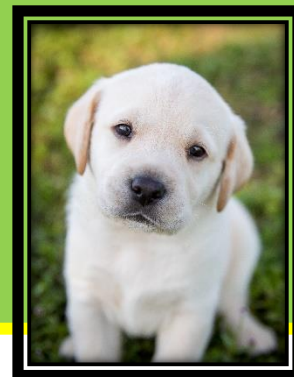




# IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

## PETS



During an emergency situation, it is important to know how to keep your animal companion safe- Emergencies can happen any time, so prepare today. The responsibility of caring for pets ultimately rests on the owner, including during an emergency. It's important to develop and create a 72 hour Pet Emergency Kit, much like we would use for ourselves and our families.



### 72 hour Pet Emergency Kit

- Food, Water, bowls, can opener
- Up to date ID tag/ Proof Ownership
- Leash/harness and/or muzzles
- Pet Carrier for Transport
- Vet # -Med record/vaccinations-
- Photo of your pet ( in case lost)
- Info on feeding, medical and behaviour concerns ( for boarding if needed)
- Litter pan / litter/ plastic bags /scooper
- Toys
- Medication/ First Aid Kit

[www.ospca.on.ca](http://www.ospca.on.ca)

Telephone: 1-888-ONT-SPCA

You may not be at home when an evacuation order is issued. In advance of an emergency, ask a trusted neighbour to evacuate your pet if need be, and meet you in a prearranged location. This individual should have a key to your home, know where the pet emergency kit is located, be comfortable with your pet and, more importantly, know where your pet is likely to be.

### Evacuation

If it's too dangerous for you to stay, it's too dangerous for your pet to stay. If time and safety permits, pets should not be left behind during an evacuation as they may get lost, injured or even killed as a result of the emergency.

#### PLAN AHEAD:

- Ask friends and relatives outside your immediate area if they could shelter your pets/animals in an emergency.
- Prepare a list of boarding facilities and veterinarians who could shelter animals in an emergency (include a 24-hour phone number).
- Contact hotels and motels outside your immediate area and check their policy on accepting pets during an emergency.
- Contact Numbers for local trailer transporters



### Returning Home

In the days following an evacuation, don't let your pet go outside unattended.

Familiar scents and landmarks may have changed and your pet may get easily confused or lost.

If there has been damage to your property, be aware that there could be sharp materials, electrical wires or other hazards in and around you home. Inspect your property carefully before allowing your pet to enter.

Remember, the behaviour of your pet be different after an emergency. Monitor your pet and contact your veterinarian if you are concerned.

