



Shelter in Yard Tips and Tasks:

Go Bag for Evacuation



If you are asked to evacuate your home during a wildfire, you need to make sure that your Go Bag has all the necessities that you need. You should be prepared to be away from your home for an extended period of time and it works best if each person in your home have their own Go bag. A backpack works great for storing everything you need and is easy enough to carry and keeps your hands free if needed.

“Go Bag” Checklist

- KN95 Respirator/face mask/ bandana
- 3-day supply of food & water (energy bars & water bottles)
- Evacuation map and contact list (no cell coverage, dead battery, etc.)
- Prescriptions
- Eyeglasses, contacts
- Toiletries
- Sanitation supplies (feminine hygiene, baby wipes/diapers, toilet paper)
- Extra keys, credit cards, cash
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports)
- Change of clothes/Hat/ Gloves/Boots/Spare pair of shoes/Goggles
- Flashlight, headlamp, radio, extra batteries
- Pet supplies, foods, & vaccine records

Optional “Comfort” Items

- Kids’ stuffed animal
- Kids’ favorite toy
- Pet blanket/toy
- Books
- Favorite snacks
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First Aid Kit

- Variety of bandages
- Antibiotic ointment
- Antiseptic wipes
- Tweezers
- Cold compress
- Gloves
- Gauze pads and roller bandages
- Thermometer
- Specialty supplies (i.e. diabetes, etc.)

If time allows

- Easily carried valuables
- Photos and other small, irreplaceable items
- PC or hard drive
- Chargers for cell phones, laptops, etc.

Dress for Survival

- Sturdy leather boots with Vibram-lug soles
- Full-coverage goggles
- Leather work gloves
- Long pants (wool or cotton) with sturdy belt
- Long sleeved shirt that covers neck (tuck into pants)
- Floppy cotton hat
- Handkerchief or bandana to cover face
- Wool socks

For more resources, visit our [Shelter in Yard](#) page on the [Santa Clara Council FireSafe Council](#) website.