

# PREPARE FOR YOUR PETS IN AN EMERGENCY



Three steps to your  
**Pet Emergency Plan**

Emergency planning for pets is an important part of emergency household preparations and greatly increases the likelihood of evacuating your pets to safety.

## 1. INCLUDE PETS IN YOUR EMERGENCY SURVIVAL PLAN

- Determine where your pets will be relocated to if you need to evacuate.
- Train your pets to be settled in a cage, carrier, crate, horse float etc. for easy transportation.
- Keep vaccinations up-to-date and keep the certificate in a safe place.
- Cats and dogs should have an ID tag including two contact numbers. Dogs should also be registered with your local council.
- Ensure cats and dogs are microchipped and that your contact details are up-to-date on the microchip register. For more information contact your vet.
- Check with your local Council for any Emergency Plan updates.
- Prepare a Pet Emergency Kit for each pet in advance.
- Schedule a time to practice your plan.



### HANDY TIP:

**ALL PETS SHOULD BE SECURELY CONTAINED AT THE FIRST SIGN OF AN EMERGENCY!**

This ensures they are close at hand if you make the decision to evacuate.





## 2. PREPARE YOUR PET EMERGENCY KIT

### YOUR KIT SHOULD INCLUDE...

- **FOOD AND WATER:** Bowls, and at least one week's supply of non-refrigerated food
- **MEDICATIONS:** Medicines and parasite control, include clear instructions for treatment and any medical records
- **IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS:** Council registration, vaccination documentation, plus current photos of you and your pet in a waterproof bag
- **TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT:** Collars, leads or appropriate tethering. As well as cages, carriers, crates, horse floats etc.
- **SANITATION:** Waste bags, cleaning products, litter, litter tray etc.
- **BEDDING:** Blankets, beds, nesting material etc.
- **COMFORT:** Toys and/or favourite items
- **ANIMAL FIRST AID KIT**
- **EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST:**

Your Vet:

Phone:

Your Local Council:

Phone:

Your Local Animal Shelter:

Phone:

### 3. PRACTICE YOUR SURVIVAL PLAN

Practicing your emergency survival plan is a vital part of your preparation. This will help you to refine your plan, and prevent panic in the event of a real emergency.

#### EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

**RSPCA Emergency Hotline -  
1300 ANIMAL (1300 264 625)**

**RSPCA QLD Lost & Found -  
1300 363 736**

**Department of Agriculture and  
Fisheries - 132 523**

(For displaced or stranded livestock)

**For more information:**

 **RSPCA Emergency Plan**

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