



**American
Red Cross**



Weeks to prepare

Weekly shopping list based on a family of 4

Week 1				
Tour your home to gather items you already have. Place all items in a waterproof bag or container before packing in kit. Check off each item as you go.				
___ A sturdy, easy-to-carry container to hold items (backpack, duffle bag or large tote) ___ A set of clothes and sturdy shoes for each family member ___ Copies of important papers (birth certificates, ID, insurance policies, passports, home lease/deed, etc.)				
___ A 3-day supply of your medications ___ A current list of family phone numbers and e-mails including someone who can be reached if local lines are down ___ A map (mark an evacuation route on it from your local area) ___ Extra cash in small bills ___ Spare keys for house and car ___ Spare glasses or contacts and solution ___ Books or toys				
Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 jar peanut butter ___ 1 box crackers ___ 2 boxes energy bars ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 2 cans meat/fish ___ 2 cans fruit/veggies ___ manual can opener ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 bottle juice ___ 1 pkg hand sanitizer ___ 1 antibacterial soap ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 liquid dish soap ___ 2 rolls toilet paper ___ 1 box facial tissues ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ first aid kit & guide ___ latex gloves ___ tweezers ___ weather radio \$1.75*
Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
___ thermometer ___ allergy/pain reliever in childproof container ___ sunscreen ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ feminine supplies ___ comb & brush ___ 1 potted meat ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ towels & washcloths ___ toothbrushes & paste ___ shampoo, bar soap ___ deodorant ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ umbrella/slicker ___ scarf ___ winter gloves ___ 1 bottle juice ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 1 pkg energy snacks ___ emergency blanket ___ matches ___ weather radio \$1.75*
Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
___ flashlight ___ batteries ___ cotton rope ___ 1 bottle juice ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ screwdriver ___ utility knife ___ pliers ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 2 cans fruit/veggies ___ 1 pkg eating utensils ___ 1 pkg plastic cups ___ paper towels/napkins ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ pet food & dishes ___ extra water ___ leash ___ litter pan/litter ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ 2 cans meat/fish ___ cell phone & charger ___ dried fruits and nuts ___ weather radio \$1.75*
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21
___ 1 gallon water ___ extra flashlight ___ extra batteries for radio & flashlight ___ 1 bottle juice ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ work gloves ___ dust masks ___ chlorine bleach ___ garbage bags & ties ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 1 gallon water ___ plastic sheeting ___ plastic bucket & lid ___ disinfectant ___ notepad & pen ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ 2 boxes dry cereal ___ box graham crackers ___ whistle ___ duct tape ___ 1 pkg energy snacks ___ weather radio \$1.75*	___ comfort foods ___ scissors ___ extra blankets ___ small pillows ___ water container ___ weather radio \$1.75*

*Save \$1.75 a week and purchase your weather radio at the end of 21 weeks.

Customize your kit for your family.

For Baby: baby food, formula, bottles, diapers, extra water for formula and washing bottles

For Seniors: oxygen, walker, adult diapers, hearing aid with extra batteries and extra medications

For Pets: carrier, medicines, inoculation and health records, ID tags, photo of you with your pet(s)

For Children: toys, travel games, extra batteries, stuffed animal, cards, crayons, paper, books

Daylight Savings Time: When you change your clocks, check your kit! Replace expired food, medicine and batteries. Check clothing for fit and seasons. Also change smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries.

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