## **Emergency Pet Cards**

As a service to the pet owner we have developed a wallet sized card to carry information at all times regarding pets, emergency contact information, and any other critical pet support needs.

Below is the card, front and back, and it can be easily cut from this flier and filled in. Simply cut at the perimeter, fill out in the information on you and your pets, bend it over, and place in your wallet.

This card information can also be filled out and posted at your work area or in your vehicle glove-box. For long term safety, you can easily laminate this information as well.

Feel free to photocopy this card and distribute copies to other pet owners. This little card could save your pets!

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## **Emergency Pet Shelters**

Domestic Animal Services, through the help of Collier County, offers an emergency pet shelter at North Collier Regional Park at 15000 Livingston Rd. This shelter is an "adjacency shelter" which means pet owners and pets will be sheltered separately within the park.

To use the shelter, you MUST preregister in ADVANCE to a weather emergency to ensure available space for you and your pet. The shelter holds a maximum of 75 pets and can be cats and dogs only. Owners are required to care for their pets prior to and post storm. There are trained DAS volunteers manning the facility and will help feed and care during the storm.

The owner must provide crates, food, medications, and any other special supplies for their pets. Pets MUST be fully up to date on all shots with printed copies available at the time of the emergency.

To preregister, or learn more, about the emergency shelter program, go to CollierGov.net or call them at 239-252-PETS.

# **Emergency Pet Hotel Shelters**

LaQuinta Inn & Suites	239-352-8400
Hawthorne Suites	239-593-1300
Ritz Carlton Golf Resort	239-593-2000
Marriott Residence Inn	239-659-1300
Spinnaker Inn	239-434-0444
Baymont Inn	239-352-8400
Community Congregation Church	239-597-1000
Staybridge Suites	239-643-8002
Fairways Resort	800-935-1318
Fairfield Inn & Suites	239-530-3355
Days Inn & Suites	239-348-1700
Red Roof Inn & Suites	239-774-3117
Rod&Gun Club, Everglades City	239-695-2101
Hilton Naples & Towers	239-430-4900



# **Emergency Planning Quick Reference for Pet Owners**

Prepare for weather emergencies for you and your pets ensuring safety for everyone!







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## **Emergency Planning**

How can you get started with emergency preparedness? The following are some guidelines for a successful preparedness plan. You should start by thinking of the possible disasters that could hit your area.

- When developing your family plan add specific plans for your pets.
- Assign each family member a pet to locate and care for.
- Decide where you will go and pick a meeting place for your family in case of separation.
- Think of whom you can call outside your area. An out-of-state contact can be helpful if communications are down in a disaster zone. Let this contact know your disaster plan and family meeting place should you be evacuated.
- The best emergency plans include many people and systems that can back each other up. Please include family, friends, neighbors, your veterinarian, and petsitter.
- Contact hotels and motels in advance to check which ones accepts pets as well as local humane societies and emergency clinics.
- Build a phone tree. One person phones two people to see if they need help. Those two people each phone two more and so on.
- Prepare a Disaster Supply Kit
- Stav current on vaccines
- Make your home safe (or have a safe zone in your home), for your pet in a disaster.
- Accustom your pets to sudden actions as would be needed in a disaster.
- Check with your professional pet sitter to see what their emergency plan is for your pet. Make sure you have your pet disaster kit ready and let the sitter know exactly where it is in case you are out of town and cannot return to take care of your pets.
- Make sure your sitter has all your emergency information as well as your emergency contacts, so in case you are not reachable they can let someone know your pet is safe.
- Your pet sitter is your most valuable resource in emergency situations. Most sitters keep keys to their clients' homes so if you are not traveling but cannot get to your home due to work or road conditions, your pet sitter may be able to secure your pets when you can't.

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#### **Emergency Evacuation Plans**

#### IF YOU MUST EVACUATE YOUR COMMUNITY:

- The best thing is to evacuate early, if possible. This
  increases the likelihood that you will be able to find
  pet friendly arrangements. You should keep a list of
  pet friendly hotels/shelters in different geographic
  areas in order to expedite your evacuation.
- Take your pets with you. Animals left behind can easily be injured, lost, or killed. Animals left in a house can escape through broken windows or storm-damaged areas and if turned loose are left to fend for themselves, which could be fatal. Additionally, it can be weeks from the time of evacuation until the time you are allowed back in the area. Find your pet relocation options. Contact your veterinarian and pet sitter to help you. They are going to be your best resource for your pets' safety.

#### IF YOU DON'T EVACUATE:

- Identify a safe area in your home. Keep all dogs on leashes and cats in carriers to ensure their location.
   Also make sure they have their ID tags on and have your pet disaster kit with them.
- Let your emergency contacts know you will be in your home and let them know where your safe room is.
- Get a window decal rescue sticker so that rescue workers know there are pets in the home. This can be obtained from your NAPPS Professional Pet sitter.
- Under no circumstances should you ever leave a pet tied up outside or let them loose to fend for themselves. Do not leave unfamiliar foods and treats for your pet. They may overeat which leads to intestinal problems. Provide water in a heavy bowl that cannot be tipped over.
- Check your local city and county emergency management web sites for emergency pet friendly shelters where you may be able to board and remain with your pets.

#### Pet Identification

The MOST important thing you can do for your pets is to buy simple ID collar tags. But, even the best collars can slip off, so the Microchip is always a recommended back-up for any pet!



## **Disaster Supply Kit**

Below is a short, but simple, minimum checklist for your pet should an emergency strike. Please provide this as a minimum:

- Prepare a list for each pet. Kits should be easily retrieved and kept in a water tight container.
- Crate or carrier for each pet large enough to turn around in, and cat carriers large enough for a small litter box.
- Rotate all foods into use, and replace with fresh food every two months.
- Collars and leashes for all pets (including cats) with ID, microchip number, and rabies tags on all collars.
- Pet first aid kit including bandaging material, antiseptic ointment, alcohol, gloves, tweezers, muzzle and gauze.
- Veterinarian information and vaccination records and current picture of each pet.
- Three week supply of each pets medications.
- Sedatives for pets that frighten easily.
- Disposable litter boxes with extra cat litter.
- Plastic bags, paper towels and cleaning supplies.
- Three week supply of food and drinking water for each pet.
- Manual can opener and food and water bowls for each pet.
- Toys or blankets your pet will find familiar.
- Towels and grooming items.
- Detailed instructions for animal care and rescue workers.
- Copy of emergency numbers and family evacuation plan.

· Flashlight and batteries.

 Finally, simple plastic tubs to carry everything for each pet helps organize in times when it is difficult to think clearly.





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