

## Evacuation Tips

*Instructions issued by officials should be followed immediately to protect your safety.*

- Evacuate early.
- Take your emergency supplies that you put together in advance of the fire.
- Locate and prepare your pets and animals.

## Animal Evacuation

- Maintain vaccination and medical records for your pets and ensure a copy is in your go kit.
- Have a plan for someone else to care for or evacuate your animals if you are unable to return to your property.
- Be sure to have license and identification tags on your animals.
- Microchip your animals and pets.
- Have carriers, leashes, trailers and other supplies ready to go.



## For More Information Visit:

**El Dorado County Emergency Preparedness and Response**

[www.edcgov.us/preparedness](http://www.edcgov.us/preparedness)

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**El Dorado County Animal Services**

[www.edcgov.us/animalservices](http://www.edcgov.us/animalservices)

**El Dorado County Fire Safe Council**

[www.edcfiresafe.org](http://www.edcfiresafe.org)

**CAL FIRE**

[www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov)



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# Prepare for Fire



*Tips to Keep Yourself, Your Family, and Your Animals Safe Before, During, and After a Fire*

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## Before a Fire

- Make an emergency kit, be sure to remember infants, children, pets, and those with special medical needs.
- Have emergency response and evacuation plans. Practice them.
- Be informed - know how to get information via radio, TV, social media, text alerts, emergency notification systems.
- Learn about and create defensible space around your home and property.
- Get involved in your local Fire Safe Council, Community Emergency Response Team, or volunteer with Animals Services or the Red Cross.

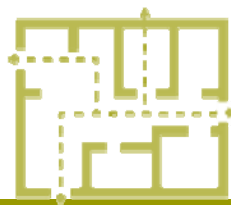


Make a Kit



***If you have children or others with special medical needs in your home, you should:***

- Have at least a weeks worth of medication in your emergency kit.
- Identify back-up or alternative power sources for electricity dependent equipment.
- Maintain a supply of special food or infant formula.
- Identify alternative transportation resources for evacuation.



Have a Plan

## During a Fire

- Stay informed.
- Be ready to evacuate all household members, pets, and other animals.
- Be mindful of the air quality, especially for those with medical conditions such as asthma or COPD. Smoke can make breathing difficult.
- Be prepared for utility outages.
- Locate all of your pets and animals.

## After a Fire

- Drive safely through affected areas and watch for power lines and other debris.
- Be careful around damaged buildings and other structures.
- Clean-up safely - wear proper protective equipment, be aware of hazardous materials that may be in the area.
- Identify ways to cope with stress and protect your emotional health.



Be Informed