

EMERGENCY KITS

PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE.

An emergency kit is essential for short term survival whether you choose to stay at home or need to relocate to safer accommodation. An emergency kit is a collection of items that are essential for your household's needs in the event of any emergency.



- Having an emergency kit is an important step to **prepare and protect your household** for an emergency;
- It is important that **household members work together** to **complete a checklist** to plan and prepare an emergency kit for the whole household;
- Kits should be **stored in a waterproof storage container**, kept in an accessible place and clearly visible to everyone in the household;
- Supplies should be **regularly checked and stocked** to ensure provisions are fresh and safe to use;
- **Copy or scan important documents** onto a CD or memory stick to include in your kit (i.e. Passports, wills, marriage and birth certificates).
- Consider how you can **protect sentimental items**, this may include making copies of valuable videos and photos and how to store them in a secure alternative location.

What's in your emergency kit?



Items to consider:

General items could be a portable battery operated AM/FM radio, waterproof torch, new spare batteries, mobile phone charger, a first aid kit with manual and woollen blankets.

Consider having enough drinking water and food for four days. Canned or dried food is a good alternative. Remember to include, cooking gear and eating utensils, a portable gas stove or barbecue and a water container (for washing and cooking water).

For additional information and resources:

- Visit the DFES website. www.dfes.wa.gov.au
- DFES' Prepare. Act. Survive.
- For more information please contact DFES Community Engagement on 9395 9816

