

Emergency Evacuation Information

Should it become necessary to Evacuate, here are some ideas of items you can locate and gather together in advance, which will help you remain calmer during the Evacuation.

It is always a good idea to keep the Originals of any important paperwork in a Safe Deposit Box. However, if you are not able to have a safe deposit box, then at least make copies of your paperwork and keep it somewhere off the hill, such as a locked desk drawer at work or at a trusted home of a friend or family member. That way you can always have access to what you might need.

1. Important Papers:

- Birth Certificates, Adoption Records
- Marriage license
- Personal ID-Driver License, Social Security Cards
- Passports, Wills, Deeds
- Insurance Papers and Policy numbers
- Medical Insurance ID Cards
- Immunization and Medical Records
- Bank and Credit Card Account Numbers
- Stocks and Bonds
- Written, Picture or Video Inventory of Household goods
- Emergency Phone Numbers and Addresses
- Emergency Contact List

2. Additional Items to take:

- Jewelry and Special Figurines
- Family Photos
- Important mementos that can't be replaced
- Clothing, socks, shoes and underwear for everyone
- Special or favorite toys, blankets or pacifiers
- Prescription Medication
- Pets and Pet Supplies
- Infant Formula, Bottles, and any Special Food
- Keys

Quick Tips

For Imminent Wildfire Emergencies:

- Wear cotton clothing and comfortable walking shoes
- Turn off Propane at source
- Make sure vehicle has at least ½ tank of gas
- Back vehicle in-it will be easier for you to leave
- Listen to a portable radio for current information
- Close house windows and curtains
- Have collar, leash and, if possible, a crate for pets
- If Evacuating, bring a book or something to do to help pass the time and reduce stress
- Bring simple games or toys for your children with you also
- Don't Panic. The better prepared you are in advance, the calmer you will be in any emergency.

Please – Don't Forget EDITH!!

1. E – Exit
2. D – Drills
3. I – In
4. T – The
5. H – Home

No matter how young, once a child is old enough to follow simple instructions, start having “fun” drills to teach them what they need to know to survive a disaster.

FIRST – DO NOT PANIC – Take a deep breath and THINK!

Teach them what to do if their clothing catches fire – STOP, DROP and ROLL

Teach them to touch a closed door before opening it in case of fire: If the door is hot – DON'T OPEN – Go out a window
 Have a designated place to meet OUTSIDE your house
 Have escape ladders for upstairs windows
 Practice once a month to reinforce the information in children
 A little planning now can save a lot of sorrow later.

Emergency Supplies for Home and Vehicle

HOME SUPPLIES	VEHICLE SUPPLIES
Water	Water
Ready to eat meats, Fruits and Vegetables	Granola, Energy Bars or Trail Mix
Peanut Butter & Crackers, Hard Candy, Trail Mix	Hard Candy / Individually wrapped snacks/cookies
Special Needs Food and Infant Formula	Extra socks and walking shoes
Powdered Milk	Jumper Cables
Safe Cooking Source	Tow Rope or Chain
Emergency First Aid Kit	Emergency First Aid Kit
Flashlight & Batteries	Flashlight & Batteries
ABC Fire Extinguisher	ABC Fire Extinguisher
Wrench, Pliers, Shovel	Signal Flares
Sleeping Bag(s)	Blanket(s)

Did you know that if your Driver License, Vehicle Registration or a Utility bill (that you have with you) does not show **Cohasset** as your City of Residence, you will not be permitted to get up here if the road is limited to residents? CHP officers could be from anywhere in the North State and not know the addresses by number. We have forms at the CCA Building – DMV DL 44 – for changing your city to Cohasset, from Chico.

Do it now, before you can't get home!

????? Can We Find You ?????

Having spent 30 years in Law Enforcement, I can tell you how hard it is to find some home addresses.

Let's think about it. You call 911 for help. You have an emergency and you needed the help yesterday! You know where you live and now your address comes up on the computer screen for the 911 dispatcher. Great, we have an address!

We try to come charging to the rescue, only to find a totally black street, usually on the dark of the moon or during a storm and can't even find a driveway, let alone your house numbers, because they either don't exist or have been in place for so long, they are faded and unreadable.

You may need the help, and your young child dials 911. We have your address but your child can't tell us how to find you. If we are lucky they know the color of the house and maybe the dog's name.

Now you are wondering where we are and so are we! All of this can be avoided so easily by using the reflective numbered, green and white address signs. We got ours at either Wal Mart or Home Depot and I think they were under \$10 bucks.

They come with a variety of numbers and are very easy to use. It will take you about 10 minutes to put together and nail on a post or tree, easily visible from the street. End of problem.

Kirk Stokes and I are on the team that will come and get you if you need help in an emergency. First you need to call and get on the transportation list and second, we need to be able to find you.

If we are required to evacuate the hill, or if we have another prolonged power outage and your oxygen is running low, minutes could matter. Please take advantage of the time we have right now to get, and put up, the reflective address sign. Please - help us, and any Emergency Responders, help you.

Thanks, Bob Krehbiel

Quick Tips

In A Power Outage:

Should we have another prolonged power outage, here are some ideas to help:

- Have a flashlight with batteries on hand.
- Have a safe, alternate heat source.
- Have a safe, alternate cook source.
- Have candles, matches and a glass or metal plate or pan to put candles on.
- Have bottled water on hand, if you do not have a generator.

Do not re-fuel generator while it is running or while it is hot.

Have an ABC Fire Extinguisher – no power – no water/ no phone – no access to call for help in a fire.

Place any ignition source in a safe place where children and pets can't knock it over.

NEVER use an outside cooking source, such as a charcoal or gas BBQ indoors. Doing so could kill you and your family with Carbon Monoxide.

Fill your toilet tank with a small pail with water if you have extra, to flush

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Important Phone Numbers

Emergency	911
Sheriff's Non-emergency	538-7111
Fire Non-emergency	538-7111
Poison Control	1-800-222-1222

Doctor _____

Dentist _____

Veterinarian _____

Neighbor _____

School _____

Other _____

Where Is the Shelter?

The Cohasset Community Association Building or the Cohasset Neighborhood Church may be designated as shelters. In the event of an emergency, signs will be posted at the CCA building directing people to the appropriate location.

Cohasset Emergency Shelter / Warming Center Information

Shelter Rules:

1. No pets allowed in the shelter. All pets on shelter grounds must be in crates. Pets being walked around must be on a leash. Fecal mater, vomit, or any other mess created by a pet is to be immediately cleaned up by the pet owner.
2. No smoking in shelter facility.
3. No alcohol or drugs on shelter grounds.
4. Sign in is mandatory when entering shelter.
5. Ever person in shelter is expected to help perform routine daily duties. (To be assigned by shelter management.)
6. Each person is responsible for the clean up of their own area.
7. Any behavior that disturbs others in the shelter is prohibited. Anyone creating such a situation will be asked to leave.

Things To Bring To a Shelter:

Change of Clothes
Warm Jacket
Bedding/Sleeping bag
Towel
Medications
Toiletries
Games
Books
ID
Any Special Needs Items
(These are items that may be in limited supply in a shelter. If you have to leave your home in a hurry, we will provide what we can.)

Refrigerator Hints during a power outage

What to do with all the perishables in your refrigerator. Last winter, I put my perishables on the porch. (the outside temp was 30°-35°) Of course you need to protect it from wildlife. Then to not waste food, first cook a “must go” soup with the meats and veggies that are perishable. Put other perishables in an ice chest. I keep a couple of gallon water jugs in the freezer. They are great for summer time grocery shopping, camping, or emergency ice supply during a power outage. Foods in the freezer (placed in a unheated room or garage) should last several days before they are unsafe to eat. After one to three days, when the meat is starting to thaw, invite your neighbors over for a barbecue.

Keeping the refrigerator door closed the temperature will stay colder longer.

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Emergency Preparedness Committee wants to thank you for doing your part to be prepared for the next disaster. And also, thank you, for helping our community by being an EPC Volunteer.

Maggie Krehbiel, Chair