

In the event you need to leave your home quickly, having a plan in place that includes your pets greatly increases the likelihood of you both getting to safety.

Steps to prepare:

- Determine where your pets will be relocated to if you need to leave. Consider friends or family, boarding kennels or cattery or your local shelter.
- Keep vaccinations up-to-date and keep the certificate in a safe place. It is recommended you have a digital copy you can access easily. (Please note boarding facilities will need an up-to-date vaccination certificate to board pets.)
- Cats and dogs should have an ID tag including your up-to-date contact details.
- Ensure cats and dogs are microchipped and that your contact details are up-to-date on the microchip register where possible.
 - Go to petaddress.com.au to check with your pet's microchip is registered.
- Train your pets to be settled in a cage, carrier or crate if possible.
- Prepare a pet care kit for each pet in advance using our below checklist.

Get your pet care kit ready:

FOOD AND WATER

Bowls, a tin opener, spoons and at least one week's supply of non-refrigerated, non-perishable food, and favourite treats.

MEDICATIONS

At least one week's supply of medicines or a current script, and parasite control, including clear instructions for treatment and any medical records if possible.

VETERINARIAN

Contact information for current vet.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Collars, leads or appropriate tethering, as well as cages, carriers or crates.

HYGIENE

Waste bags, cleaning products, litter, litter tray, puppy pads, poop bags.

BEDDING

Familiar blankets, beds, nesting material etc.

COMFORT

Toys and/or favourite items.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Vaccination documentation, plus current photos of you and your pet for proof of ownership.

