

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS POINTER

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NEW YEAR FOR YOUR EMERGENCY KIT

The start of a new year presents a great opportunity to update your 72-hour kit. Supplies can expire or wear out due to age. It is important to add or remove items if your circumstances have changed over the last year. Here is a list of items to check:

- Expiration dates on food, water, and medications
- Batteries for corrosion
- Ensure electronic devices in your kit are still functioning properly
- Pet food and veterinarian supplies
- Make sure clothes still fit
- Check the condition of sanitation items
- Replenish any supplies that have been depleted or worn out



UPDATE YOUR DISASTER PLAN AND IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS



When updating your kit, it is also important to review your disaster plan and other important documents for correct and current information. Moving to a new home, the birth of a new baby, and changing bank accounts are all examples of typical life occurrences that should be considered when updating your disaster plan and important documents. Some of these documents include:

- Medical, homeowners, and car insurance
- Wills, deeds, stocks, and bonds
- Passports, bank account numbers, and credit card numbers
- Birth and marriage certificates
- Family disaster and communication plan (phone numbers, addresses, meeting places, and out of state contact)

TUNE UP YOUR CAR KIT

Be sure to check your emergency kit in your car. Rotate supplies throughout the year for seasonal weather changes and check for worn out and depleted supplies.

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| • Tire Chains | • Warm Clothes | • Tow Rope |
| • First Aid Kit | • Shovel | • Sand or Cat Litter |
| • Blankets | • Water & Snacks | • Flares |
| • Jumper Cables | • Ice Scraper | • Tire Jack |

