

Hurricane Preparedness for Pets

1) Enough food and water for at least 5 days (each pet)

2) Medications and Medical Records

- Current medical records in case you have to board pets or stay at a pet-friendly shelter with other animals

* Canine- Rabies Vaccine (min age 16 weeks),
DHPP and Bordatella (min age 6-8 weeks)

* Feline- Rabies Vaccine (Min age 16 weeks),
FDRTC and FELV (min age 6-8 weeks)

* Ferrets - Rabies Vaccine (3 year K9 Vaccine, given yearly)
DHPP (min age 16 weeks)

- Have your pet on flea, tick and heartworm prevention in case they have to be around other animals while boarding or staying in a shelter.

TIPS: * Have sedatives on hand if your pet experience anxiety regularly.

* Have a cooler if you have medications or insulin that has to be refrigerated

3) Bedding and Waste Disposal

- Cat litter box , litter scoop, clean litter, disposable bags

- Disposable bags, paper towels and disinfectant for accidents

- Clean towels and bedding for pets (labeled with owners name)

- Trash bags in case bedding gets soiled

4) Leashes, Harnesses and Carriers

- Have leashes and collars for each pet

- **Have rabies tags on collars**

- **Have identification tag on collars (contact information)**

- Crates must be large enough for pets to stand up, lie down and turn around comfortably

5) Current photos and descriptions

- This is to identify your pets in case you are separated and to prove ownership

6) Have your pets feeding schedule, medical conditions, behavior problems, medication schedule and name and number of your Veterinarian in case you need to board your pet

7) Have a list of pet friendly hotels and shelters in your area. Also have a list of boarding facilities and hospitals that will be boarding pets if you have to evacuate

- Know if there are any restrictions on number, size, breed and species

8) Identification

- Have ID tags on your pets collar with up-to-date phone numbers. Cell numbers are the best. Also include numbers of friends and relatives outside of evacuation areas in case you are separated from your pet and cant be reached.

- Have your pets micro chipped with current contact information registered including numbers of those outside of evacuation areas.

9) If you are staying at home to ride out the storm

- Keep pets inside in a safe room with belongings ready in case you need to leave your home

10) After the storm

- Don't let pets roam outside until debris has been cleared. Familiar scents and landmarks will have changed and pets can become confused or lost.

- Be patient and calm with you pet. They can become aggressive and defensive from stress.

*** 3 PET FRIENDLY SHELTERS FOR DUVAL COUNTY:**

- 1) LANDMARK MIDDLE SCHOOL
- 2) MANDARIN MIDDLE SCHOOL
- 3) CHIMNEY LAKES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ALL PETS MUST HAVE A CURRENT RABIES LICENSE

*** PET FRIENDLY HOTELS:**

www.petswelcome.com

www.takeyourpet.com

www.pettravel.com