



JUNE *Pet Awareness Month*

Pets are important family members too and their needs should be considered in your family's emergency plans. This month we're encouraging you to build a **Go Bag** for your pet. A little preparation now will avoid stress and critical time delays during an emergency or disaster. Summer celebrations can present safety challenges for your pets too – read the summer safety tips to increase your awareness.

ACTION ITEMS for June. See LINKS for How-To information.

1. Build your Pet's Go Bag. Don't have a pet? Check with a family member or neighbor who does.
2. Check your Stay Kit for pet supplies.
3. Place a Pet Alert sign by your entry door.
4. Keep an Emergency Pet Wallet Card in your wallet.
5. Practice putting your pet in a carrier.

Stay Kit GROCERY LIST (6 of 11)

- 8 gallons of water
plastic containers should be replaced every 6 months
- 4 rolls paper towels
- 4 large (32-oz) sport drinks
- large plastic food storage bags
- plastic wrap
- aluminum foil
- 8 20-oz cans ready to eat soup
- pet food and supplies for 2 weeks
- 8 8-packs of 12-fl oz canned flavored water

Preparedness Calendar is for a family of 4 & 1 pet. Adjust to your needs.

Stay Kit HARDWARE LIST (3 of 4)

- FRS battery operated radio for each family member and extra batteries. Practice using your radios!
- utility shut-off tool
- heavy work gloves
- screwdriver
- multi-tool
- portable charger for phone/laptop. Charge it!
- safety goggles

WHAT'S IN A PET GO BAG? *Glad you asked!* Here is a sample list. LINKS have more info.

- pet carrier
- water
- bowl
- toys
- medications
- contact info of vet
- current photos of your pet with you/your family



- leash/halter/harness
 - blanket
 - 3–7-day supply of food
 - waste disposal bags
 - vaccine records
 - pet ID chip info
 - pet first-aid kit
- Adjust for your pet's specific needs*

5 TIPS

Summer pet safety

See LINKS for more info.

1. **Fireworks.** Loud sounds can frighten! Provide a safe, secure, and quiet place for pets.
2. **Sun & heat.** Lookout for signs of over-heating and thirst. Always provide water.
3. **Toxic chemicals.** Keep pets safe from insecticides, citronella products and toxic sprays.
4. **Party food.** Don't feed pets grapes, raisins, onion, avocado or chocolate. All are toxic.
5. **Hot cars.** Do not leave your pet in the car – even for a few minutes.

LINKS

1. [Red Cross Pet Preparedness](#)
2. [ASPCA Disaster Pet Safety](#)
3. [Ready.gov Pets](#)
4. [ASPCA Pet Wallet Card](#)
5. [ASPCA Hot Weather](#)
6. [CERT video FRS Radio](#)



For more information visit your Martinez Area Community Emergency Response Team, (CERT) www.martinezcert.org

This calendar is designed to break down large tasks into monthly steps to be less overwhelming. The calendar lists many items to be purchased early in the year, before the distractions of the holiday season. While perishables must be replenished, hardware purchases should be mostly one-time expenses. Time purchases to work best for you!