





# 1 Hour Evacuation

Item	Location
More Family Photos	
Tent	
Camp Stove	

**Suggestions:**

- To save time, don't pick through items like medications or jewelry. Instead, take the whole drawer or box if possible.
- Have plastic or paper file boxes available to put all files in so you don't waste time sorting through them. (30 Minute List)
- Store paperwork and thumb drives listed in the 5 Minute List in one bag or box so you can just grab and go. Store valuables together as well.
- Do a trial run through the lists to see if it's possible to complete entire list in the allotted time. Adjust lists accordingly.
- Store items on lists as close together as possible to reduce retrieval time.
- You can buy prepared 72-hour emergency kits online or put one together yourself. You will find 72-hour packing list ideas online.
- List items by location so you can clear one area of the house at a time.

## What to Do BEFORE Leaving

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- Call neighbors at first sign of fire and help them as needed.
- Close evacuation vehicle windows but do not lock car.
- Leave keys in ignition.
- Turn on headlights, AC and tune to local radio station.
- Face evacuation vehicle pointing out towards exit.
- Disconnect propane tank and/or turn off natural gas lines.
- If you have one, have RV ready to go, facing out towards exit.
- Dress family members in long-sleeved shirts and long pants. Wear leather gloves and goggles.
- Tie long hair back in ponytail.
- Place pets in carriers with water and food and place them next to front door.
- Determine at least two escape routes.
- Remember Bain Road and Mt. Murphy Road are options but only as a last resort if not being used by emergency vehicles.
- Escape route should head downhill and away from fire if possible.
- Determine where family members will meet outside of local area.
- Notify out-of-area contact of your phone number, location, and status. Update regularly.
- Close all house windows and doors but leave doors and windows unlocked.
- Leave house lights on in every room so fire fighters can see house at night and in smoke.
- Turn on outside lights.
- Make sure spigots, ladders, generators, chain saws and hoses, etc. are obvious to fire fighters.
- Connect garden hoses with squeeze-grip nozzles for fire fighters.
- Prepare info sheet indicating who you are and phone number to reach you and let fire fighters know where combustibles are. List out-of-area contact info as well. Put list on refrigerator or taped to front door.
- Fill bathtub and sinks with water.
- Turn off ceiling fans.
- Remove combustible items from next to house exterior and interior walls.
- Turn off appliances and thermostats.
- Cover ground vents with plywood or metal covering.
- Sink waterproof valuables in pool.

## What to Do NOW to Prepare

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- Clear brush and weed eat 100 ft. around house.
- Clear debris from around propane tanks.
- Thin and prune trees
- Keep gutters clear of leaves and debris.
- If you have one, top off water storage tank and make sure spouts and connectors are functional.
- Keep evacuation vehicles full of gas.
- Make list and video tape of all belonging in house and sheds, describing them all.
- Take still pictures of all valuables.
- Make sure fire detectors are operational.
- Make sure evacuation list is readily available.
- Microchip pets, horses & other large animals.
- Have pet carriers readily available.
- Equip vehicles with emergency supplies.
- Set up 72-hour kits for family and for pets.
- Have unused cat litter box and cat litter on hand.
- Supply RV with extra water, food, cooking supplies, clothes, toiletries, etc.

## Sign up for info on shelters & disaster recovery centers in your zip code area:

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- Hurricanes: text **HURRICANE** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Home fires: text **FIRE** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Wildfires: text **WILDFIRE** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Tornadoes: text **TORNADO** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Earthquakes: text **EARTHQUAKE** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Winter storms and extreme cold: text **WINTER** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Power outages: text **BLACKOUT** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- Floods: text **FLOOD** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- General monthly safety tips: text **PREPARE** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- To search for open shelters: text **SHELTER** and a **Zip Code** to **43362** (4FEMA)
- To search for open Disaster Recovery Centers, text: **DRC** and a **Zip Code** to **43362** (4FEMA)

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