

Ready. Set. Safe.

Special Medical Needs Shelter Kit Checklist

In an emergency evacuation, if you have a medical condition that requires basic medical assistance and monitoring, but does not require hospitalization, a Special Medical Needs Shelter may be appropriate for you. Preregistration is encouraged. Family members and caregivers are encouraged to accompany you. Use this checklist to help you prepare a Special Medical Needs Shelter Kit that will make your stay as comfortable as possible.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

- A list of your current medications and at least a 7-day supply of them
- Documentation of specific medical information (including provider contact information)
- First-aid kit
- Oxygen supplies
- Nebulizers
- Wound Care supplies
- Ostomy supplies
- Catheter supplies
- Cane, folding mobility cane or walker
- Wheelchairs/Scooters/Lift equipment
- Batteries and/or chargers for electric wheelchair or scooter
- Repair kit for electric wheelchair or scooter
- Diabetes equipment
 - Glucose meter/strips/lancets
 - Insulin/syringes
 - Other insulin supplies

FOOD ITEMS

- Non-perishable dietary items
- Special dietary foods if required
- Snacks or other comfort foods (meals are provided at the shelter)

EQUIPMENT

- Alternate communication devices (portable TTY, dry erase board or writing tablet with pens, pencils or markers)
- Flashlight
- Radio
- Extra batteries
- Cell phone and charger

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

- Eyeglasses
- Extra pair of dark glasses, if medically required
- Hearing aids (and extra batteries)
- Dentures
- Pair of heavy gloves to use while maneuvering a wheelchair over glass and debris

BEDDING

- For special medical client
 - Bedding (medical cot provided)
 - Lawn/lounge chair
- For caregiver or family member(s)
 - Air mattress or cot and bedding
 - Lawn/lounge chair

PERSONAL ITEMS

- Undergarments/Socks
- Shoes (durable)
- Incontinence supplies
- Soap/shampoo
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste/toothbrush
- Brush/comb
- Wash cloth
- Towel
- Important papers
- I.D. with current address
- Entertainment items
 - Books/Magazines
 - Toys/Cards/Games
 - Portable radio/CD player/headset

INFANT CARE ITEMS

- Formula/Food
- Diapers

SERVICE ANIMAL SUPPLIES

- Food and medicine
- Toys
- Plastic bags, disposable gloves and other supplies
- Proof of current vaccinations

THESE ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT THE SHELTER

- Pets (except for service animals)
- Firearms or weapons
- Alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs
- Perishable food items



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