



## Survival Kit for Dogs

**Be Prepared:** NOW is the time to get ready: compile all these supplies so that everything is ready - should an emergency happen.

Once you have compiled all the items needed, place them all in a watertight secure plastic container, carefully labelled both outside and in with your contact information and the purpose of each item in the kit. Check on it every three months and rotate/refresh items as indicated.

**Identification:** *Is your dog microchipped? It is a permanent, secure, painless form of identification. If it hasn't been done, do it NOW.*

- Collar and Tag: In addition to microchipping, have a properly fitting collar and tag on your dog at all times. The tag should clearly state the dog's full name, address and phone number. Adding the clinic/veterinarian's name is also a good idea.
- Harness, Tag and Leash: in case you will not be in your regular home, you will need to give your dog a new tag. In cases of severe stress, harnesses are safer than collars.
- Photos: place into your kit current pictures of both your dog and yourself. A picture of you will help establish that you are the dog's rightful guardian.
- Your dog's favourite whistle

**Food/Water:** *Rotate/refresh every three months*

- Two weeks' supply of your dog's regular food in single-serving pop-up can format. You might not have access to a refrigerator or a can-opener.
- Unopened bags of your dog's regular dry food. Place into a separate plastic, air-and water-tight container and keep in a cool, dark place.
- Two-weeks' supply of water in plastic containers, stored in a cool, dark place.
- Food and water dishes, spoon, and manual can opener.

**Hygiene:**

- Pooper scooper
- Small and large plastic bags for disposal.
- Dish soap, disinfectant, paper towels



## Safety:

- Safety carrier , collapsible cage and/or crate for transporting and housing your dog. In case your dog needs to be confined for extended periods of time, this should be large enough allow the dog to lie comfortably with room for food and water dishes.
- Toys, familiar things. Put them inside the carrier/cage to comfort and entertain your dog.
- Safety Harness and Leash: it is a good idea to have your dog in a harness that is attached to its carrier/cage; carriers can pop open in unpredictable conditions. Having your dog in a harness, adds to her safety. Also, if you wish to take her out for exercise, she will be safe.
- A metal stake for chaining the dog outdoors, if necessary. Be certain that the location provides easy access out of the sun and severe weather, is close to her dog house and out of reach of other animals or dangers.
- Muzzle: frightened, injured and /or stressed dogs can become dangerous.

## Medications:

- If your dog is on any medication, have a two-week supply on hand. Include instructions and the clinic contact information.
- Keep a copy of your dog's medical records in your kit.
- First Aid Kit.

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## First Aid Kit for Companion Animals

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Absorbent Gauze Pads - 4" x 4"   | <input type="checkbox"/> Instant Cold Pack            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adsorbent Gauze Rolls - 3" x 1yd | <input type="checkbox"/> Zinc Oxide Tape (3/4" x 1yd) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Adherent Absorbent Dressing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Latex Gloves                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cotton-Tipped Applicators        | <input type="checkbox"/> Book on First Aid            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antiseptic Wipes                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Muzzle                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emollient Wipes                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Harness/Leash                |
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