CHECKLIST FOR EVACUATION OR SHELTER IN PLACE: PRINT THIS LIST – FILL IT OUT – PLACE IT WHERE YOU CAN GET TO IT IN AN EMERGENCY. I SUGGEST IN YOUR HOME SAFETY CENTER.

1. Find a "safe spot" to create a centralized storage location for emergency supplies - basically your go-to location.

2. This "safe spot" can be called your **Home Emergency Safety Center**. The garage may be one of those "safe spots" where nothing can fall on you or in your path to get to it. Choose an accessible location where items stored can remain cool.

3. Next, take photos or video of your entire home and its contents inside and out. Put it into a plastic bag with a label and date. Put this in your Home Emergency Safety Center.

4. Have on hand at all times: cardboard Boxes, tape and tape gun (so that you can pack in boxes and not be disheveled) or use pillowcases, sheets and suitcases.

5. Print your phone list from the computer before you disconnect your computer or before a power outage does not allow access.

6. Learn how to open electronic gates and garage doors in case power goes out.

7. Know how to turn off the gas in your home - only if you smell leaks. Keep a gas shut off wrench attached to your gas main.

8. Keep a schematic of your home color coding all utilities so that they can easily be located for shut off. Keep this in your Home Safety Center.
9. Buy canned goods (vegetables, meats, fruits, legumes). Canned goods with pop tops are best. The shelf life says 2-3 years but canned goods can really last for 5-6 years. We suggest a very minimum of a 7 day supply on hand for your entire family, but ideally and with today's uncertain economic climate, 3 months worth of food.

10. Have an out-of-state emergency contact and their phone number.

11. CALL FOR SHELTER AT A HOTEL AND BOOK IMMEDIATELY - Keep on hand hotel phone numbers in all locations N,S,E,W and/or friends to stay with in these locations as well.

12. Develop a phone tree in your community or with family and friends so that you call one or two and they continue calling until all have been contacted. This is to notify each other of impending disasters.

13. Close all doors and windows but leave everything unlocked. Put a ladder outside for the firemen.

14. Know two evacuation routes beforehand.

15. For earthquakes, be sure your heavy furniture, tvs etc are secured down so they don't take flight during shaking. If you are in bed when shaking starts, stay there. Use your pillow to protect you. Keep shoes and extra lighting by your bedside in case you have to get up in the middle of the night and lights are out and glass is broken in house. Stay in your home under a sturdy table and away from windows. Smell for gas. Evacuate only if necessary. That is the quick and short of earthquake preparedness. Be able to care for yourself first and then your neighbors.

FIRST PRIORITIES:

- Disconnect your computer hard drive/keyboard (Print your phone list from the computer first or you may not have all the phone numbers you need)
- Take all backup discs for your computer files
- Have $500-1000+ Cash on hand at all times (credit cards may not work if electricity is out)
- Jewelry
- Gold and Silver - In case of economic collapse bartering will be necessary. Have a coin cutter to snip off portions.
- Consider other bartering items
- Passports
- Documents: Home, car and life insurance, Wills, medical information (make copies, scan and place in Safety Center)
- Cell phone/charger - emergency crank cell phone chargers
- Medications and Prescriptions (make copies)
- Reading Glasses
- Keys for safety deposit boxes/keys for gates, car etc
- Know any and all combinations for safes – easily accessible
- photo albums and photo discs (time to scan all negatives!)
- Family DVDs and videos

SECOND PRIORITY

- Cameras/video cameras
- Yearbooks
- Wall hanging pictures (protect them with sheets or cardboard between them)
- School Report cards
- Take your house plans (make a copy and fold up small)
- Have kids create a Treasure Box OF their personal mementos

LIST MEMENTOS HERE:

Your Personal mementos (make a list)

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SURVIVAL ESSENTIALS

- Guns and ammo (if you have them - if you don't, why not?)
- Sleeping bag/pillow and or blankets
- Pack 1-3 days worth of clothes (underwear, socks, pants, shirts, jacket)
- Tennis shoes/flip flops
- Towels/Toiletries
- Crank Radio
- Flashlights batteries, lightsticks, crank light
- Emergency Survival Kit (should include all the basics including lighting, 3 day food and water- see Dran for list)
- First Aid and Medical treatment book
- Dust masks/goggles
- Whistles
- Tools and goggles
- Duct tape, plastic bags
- Water bottles (lots)
- Water Purification tablets, or bottles, portable and consider if you have a pool learn how to drink pool water.
- Ice Chest stuff with food from your refrigerator
PET ESSENTIALS:
- Have dog and cat cages and their food/litter
- Take a longer leash for all animals
- Know how to evacuate other large animals: horses, farm animals

POWER GENERATORS AND FIRE PREVENTION
- Generator and extra gas to power it
- Keep your car gas tank on full or never less than a half tank just in case of a power outage that shuts down all gas stations.
- Have a hand pump siphon hose for your car and gas canister
- Small solar panels to be used for minor power generation
- Swimming Pool water pump/hose
- Fire Hose

SPECIAL NEEDS LIST

INFANTS:

SENIORS:

DISABILITIES:

OTHER ITEMS TO ADD:

Items recommended you store in a home fireproof box:

- Current passport
- Birth certificate
- Social security card
• Property titles
• Insurance policies
• A list of bank and credit card account numbers
• Copies of prescriptions for life-supporting medications
• Spare keys to your car

**Items recommended you store digitally on a hard drive at a secure, off-site location:**

• Scans of photo negatives and videos that you would be devastated to lose (like wedding photos and videos)
• Scans of your titles and insurance policies
• Scan of your Last Will and Testament
• Scans of your passport, birth certificate, and social security card
• Scans of prescriptions for your life-supporting medications
• A text file containing your bank and credit card account numbers
• A recent backup of important computer documents
• Photos of the interior and exterior of your home taken within the last four months
• Recent photos of your pets

**Other items to consider**

Feminine Products
Warm Jackets, socks, gloves
Bug spray
Ground cover - tarp
Bicycles for transportation
Safety Pins
Duct Tape
Carabiners
Rope
Seeds and grow your own vegetables and food
Ability to start your own fire - fire starter material
Variety of lighting - Battery operated Lanterns, crack light sticks, hand crank
Folding shovel,
Hammer and tools
Commando Saw
Portable cups and plates, utensils
Mirror
Compass
1st Aid Kit
Hand towels, cloth towels
Hand crank Radio
Book - Back to Basics of our Founding Fathers
Wood burning Stoves (EPA is trying to outlaw them)
Anti bacterial soap

Look for foods that have a long shelf life.
Look for foods that you normally eat, and buy a couple extra every time you go to the store. (A survival situation isn’t the best time to be experimenting with new foods.)

Stock up around the holidays. Holidays can be a good time to score some great deals. If you have an extra freezer you can sometimes pick up 20lb turkeys for under $5. For around $100 you can stock your freezer with enough meat to help you make it through the year.

Bulk beans and rice – Believe it or not you can sustain yourself for a very long period of time on little more than beans and rice. For under a hundred dollars you can build up a decent size stockpile that will last for awhile.

Surviving Electromagnetic Pulse Outage

What’s the best rifle for survival?
The perfect survival rifle is often the topic of heated conversations between survivalists; in my opinion, there are a number of reasons that a .22 should be at the top of your list.

1. The .22LR Rifle is one of the most affordable weapons in the world.
2. The .22 Long Rifle ammo is the most common type of ammunition in the world. It’s super cheap, widely available, and can be used in both rifles and pistols. If your low on cash and need to stock up on ammo, this is a good type of rifle to start out with.
3. It has a low recoil and can be fired by just about anyone.
4. They are great for hunting small to mid size game, and with the right shot you can take down just about anything.