

EMERGENCY SUPPLY CHECKLIST

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Your emergency supply kit should be individually tailored to meet the basic survival needs of your family for a **MINIMUM of 3 days to a week**. Most families prefer to store their emergency supplies in one location that is relatively safe, yet easily accessible if evacuation is required. Items may be stored in a 32-gallon trashcan, suitcase, duffel bag, backpack, footlocker or individual pack. You may also consider another kit to keep in your car, particularly during the winter months. See our website for additional preparedness information.

EMERGENCY NEEDS

- Hand-crank or Battery-Powered Radio
- Hand-Crank or Battery-Powered Flashlight
- Extra Batteries
- First Aid Kit & Manual
- Sleeping Bags & Blankets (wool & thermal)
- Waterproof/Windproof Matches
- Non-Perishable Foods
- Manual Can Opener
- Paper Cups, Plates, & Plastic Utensils
- Tape
- Water (1 gallon/person/day)
- Water Purification Tablets
- Emergency candles
- Utility Knife
- Class ABC Fire Extinguisher
- Extra Eyeglasses/Contact Lenses
- Essential Medications
- Extra Clothing
- Tool Kit with Pliers
- Wrench (to turn off gas/water)

SANITATION KIT

- Plastic Bucket with Tightly-Fitted Lid
- Plastic Bags & Ties
- Disinfectant
- Improvised Toilet Seat
- Plastic Utensils
- Soap
- Toilet Paper & Towelettes
- Paper Towels
- Personal Hygiene Needs
- Paper Cups & Plates
- Personal Toiletries
- Baby/Infant Supplies

STANDARD FIRST AID KIT

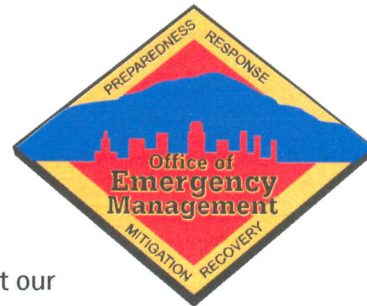
- First Aid Manual
- Thermometer
- Sterile Gauze Pads
- Scissors
- Petroleum Jelly
- Soap
- Safety Pins
- Adhesive Bandages
- Triangular Bandages
- Elastic Bandages
- Cotton Balls
- Individual Medical Needs (prescription medications)
- Latex Gloves (at least 2 pairs)
- Aspirin/Pain Relievers
- Laxatives
- Rubbing Alcohol
- Diarrhea Medication
- Hypoallergenic Adhesive Tape
- Moistened Towelettes or sanitary wipes
- Needles
- Tweezers
- Antiseptic
- Antacid
- Syrup of Ipecac
- Cotton Swabs
- Sunscreen

SPECIAL ITEMS

- Pet Food and Water
- Baby Formula, Bottles, Powdered Milk
- Diapers
- Denture Needs
- Emergency Contact List
- Kitty litter
- Extra Medications
- Child's Toy or Stuffed Animal
- Oxygen
- Cell Phone with emergency charger

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Welcome to the Colorado Springs Office of Emergency Management (OEM). Our office plans for hazards, works to reduce threats and prepares Colorado Springs' citizens to respond to and recover from a disaster. We are committed to ensuring that our community is prepared.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Office of Emergency Management is responsible for providing mitigation, preparedness, response, recovery, and coordination for large-scale emergencies and disasters, both natural and human-caused, to the citizens of Colorado Springs for the purpose of saving lives and preventing property damage.

SERVICES

- Mitigate and plan for large-scale all-hazards emergencies and disasters
- Develop and maintain citywide emergency operations plans
- Serve as liaison to local, county, state, military and federal agencies and departments
- Provide preparedness education and Citizen Emergency Response Training to citizens and government employees
- Coordinate multi-jurisdictional exercises
- Respond to multi-family structure emergencies
- Manage resources needed to assist responders and the affected population
- Assist partner response agencies and the affected population
- Provide assistance and preparedness to the City of Colorado Springs through the administration of federal and state grant funding

MITIGATION

OEM is in charge of writing and updating the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for the City, as well as outlining the functions and responsibilities of all City departments and agencies during emergencies or disasters. We maintain close working relationships with all levels of government.

PREPAREDNESS

Because it is impossible to predict when a specific disaster will occur, our office participates in and helps plan numerous preparedness exercises throughout the year. The exercises are disaster simulations that may involve all levels of government, and can range from an organized discussion about a potential threat, to full-scale training that involves actual response units, real-time events and actors who play the role of victims. This training gives management and responders a chance to address and resolve challenges before a real disaster occurs.

We help citizens to prepare for disasters through **Citizen Emergency Response Training (CERT)**. OEM staff also conducts preparedness presentations for businesses, civic organizations, community meetings and events.

RESPONSE

During a large disaster, the Office of Emergency Management provides overall coordination for Citywide response efforts. This can involve the activation of the Emergency Operations Center, which becomes a single gathering point for representatives from City departments and partner agencies. These representatives facilitate resource coordination, mutual aid and policy decisions.

RECOVERY

The Office of Emergency Management assists in the coordination of both short-term and long-term recovery functions. Short-term recovery efforts begin immediately following an emergency or disaster, as the City works to restore basic services and functions to the affected community. Long-term recovery involves restoring economic activity, and rebuilding communities and citizens' quality of life.