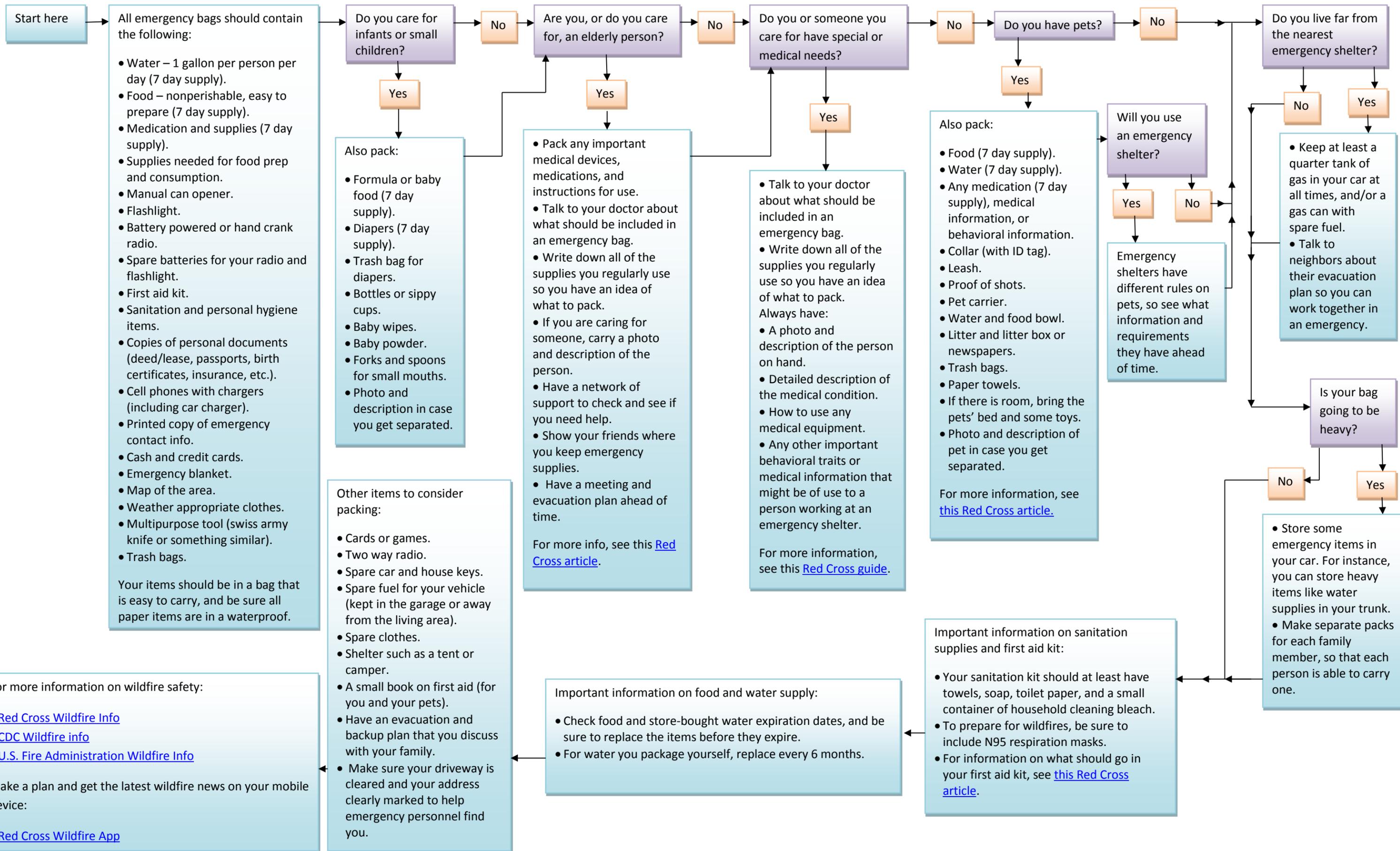


# Emergency Go Bag



All emergency bags should contain the following:

- Water – 1 gallon per person per day (7 day supply).
- Food – nonperishable, easy to prepare (7 day supply).
- Medication and supplies (7 day supply).
- Supplies needed for food prep and consumption.
- Manual can opener.
- Flashlight.
- Battery powered or hand crank radio.
- Spare batteries for your radio and flashlight.
- First aid kit.
- Sanitation and personal hygiene items.
- Copies of personal documents (deed/lease, passports, birth certificates, insurance, etc.).
- Cell phones with chargers (including car charger).
- Printed copy of emergency contact info.
- Cash and credit cards.
- Emergency blanket.
- Map of the area.
- Weather appropriate clothes.
- Multipurpose tool (swiss army knife or something similar).
- Trash bags.

Your items should be in a bag that is easy to carry, and be sure all paper items are in a waterproof.

Do you care for infants or small children?

No

Yes

Also pack:

- Formula or baby food (7 day supply).
- Diapers (7 day supply).
- Trash bag for diapers.
- Bottles or sippy cups.
- Baby wipes.
- Baby powder.
- Forks and spoons for small mouths.
- Photo and description in case you get separated.

Are you, or do you care for, an elderly person?

No

Yes

- Pack any important medical devices, medications, and instructions for use.
- Talk to your doctor about what should be included in an emergency bag.
- Write down all of the supplies you regularly use so you have an idea of what to pack.
- If you are caring for someone, carry a photo and description of the person.
- Have a network of support to check and see if you need help.
- Show your friends where you keep emergency supplies.
- Have a meeting and evacuation plan ahead of time.

For more info, see this [Red Cross article](#).

Do you or someone you care for have special or medical needs?

No

Yes

- Talk to your doctor about what should be included in an emergency bag.
- Write down all of the supplies you regularly use so you have an idea of what to pack.

Always have:

- A photo and description of the person on hand.
- Detailed description of the medical condition.
- How to use any medical equipment.
- Any other important behavioral traits or medical information that might be of use to a person working at an emergency shelter.

For more information, see this [Red Cross guide](#).

Do you have pets?

No

Yes

Also pack:

- Food (7 day supply).
- Water (7 day supply).
- Any medication (7 day supply), medical information, or behavioral information.
- Collar (with ID tag).
- Leash.
- Proof of shots.
- Pet carrier.
- Water and food bowl.
- Litter and litter box or newspapers.
- Trash bags.
- Paper towels.
- If there is room, bring the pets' bed and some toys.
- Photo and description of pet in case you get separated.

For more information, see [this Red Cross article](#).

Do you live far from the nearest emergency shelter?

No

Yes

Will you use an emergency shelter?

Yes

No

Emergency shelters have different rules on pets, so see what information and requirements they have ahead of time.

Keep at least a quarter tank of gas in your car at all times, and/or a gas can with spare fuel.

- Talk to neighbors about their evacuation plan so you can work together in an emergency.

Is your bag going to be heavy?

No

Yes

- Store some emergency items in your car. For instance, you can store heavy items like water supplies in your trunk.
- Make separate packs for each family member, so that each person is able to carry one.

Important information on sanitation supplies and first aid kit:

- Your sanitation kit should at least have towels, soap, toilet paper, and a small container of household cleaning bleach.
- To prepare for wildfires, be sure to include N95 respiration masks.
- For information on what should go in your first aid kit, see [this Red Cross article](#).

Important information on food and water supply:

- Check food and store-bought water expiration dates, and be sure to replace the items before they expire.
- For water you package yourself, replace every 6 months.

Other items to consider packing:

- Cards or games.
- Two way radio.
- Spare car and house keys.
- Spare fuel for your vehicle (kept in the garage or away from the living area).
- Spare clothes.
- Shelter such as a tent or camper.
- A small book on first aid (for you and your pets).
- Have an evacuation and backup plan that you discuss with your family.
- Make sure your driveway is cleared and your address clearly marked to help emergency personnel find you.

For more information on wildfire safety:

- [Red Cross Wildfire Info](#)
- [CDC Wildfire info](#)
- [U.S. Fire Administration Wildfire Info](#)

Make a plan and get the latest wildfire news on your mobile device:

- [Red Cross Wildfire App](#)