

## Emergency Planning Information

As you know, Hurricane Irma is out at sea moving west. Even though the storm's landfall is uncertain at present, it would be wise to make some preparations in case Irma comes close to us. Please review the information below\* as you prepare for the possibility of Irma entering the Gulf of Mexico. Keep watching the weather reports and let's all hope for the best. Be safe.

Amount of Water	Clorox Regular Bleach	Clorox Concentrated Bleach
1 quart	2 drops	2 drops
1 gallon	8 drops	6 drops
2 gallons	16 drops	12 drops or ½ teaspoon
5 gallons	40 drops	30 drops

- Do Not Use Any form of Clorox that has been scented or altered.
- Let untreated water sit until debris has settled to bottom of container or filter water.
- Dip clear water off top and treat with Clorox.
- After treating let water sit (open to air) for 30 minutes prior to use.
- Commercially bottled water is good for up to 6 months.
- Pet consumption: The average 50 pound dog needs a gallon per day and a 12 pound cat needs 1/10 gallon per day.
- Collect water in tubs or large garbage can to flush toilets.

### **How much bottled water?** ([calculate-this.com](http://calculate-this.com))

A gallon a day for each person for a 3 day period minimum; but, it is recommended that you have a supply on hand for 10 to 14 days.

### **Best foods to stockpile for an emergency** ([realsimple.com](http://realsimple.com))

Stocking up on the right nonperishable food items will help you weather the storm with less stress. Fueling your body during an emergency is different from your everyday diet. You will need high-energy, high-protein food. People with special diets (such as diabetics or allergies) need to adjust this information to meet their medical requirements for nourishment. Shelf-stable foods (non-perishable foods that don't need cooking or refrigeration. Special dietary needs such as allergies, babies, toddlers, elderly, diabetics, and sick people. These suggestions are not always possible due to accessibility and money.

- Apples (will last up to 3 months if fresh when bought and stored in cool, dry place)
- Bananas - short term use.
- Citrus fruits such as oranges and grapefruit.
- Avocados; if firm when bought will last a week outside of refrigerator.
- Tomatoes; if unripe will last several days at room temperature.
- Peanut Butter or Almond Butter (unless jar indicates otherwise, does not have to be refrigerated.)
- Crackers - vacuum packed. (whole wheat/grain crackers have a shorter shelf-life; check dates)
- Bread - (Check dates)
- Condiments such as catsup and mayonnaise. (vacuum sealed individual packets)
- Cereal (individually packed will stay fresher longer)
- Granola bars and power bars (will stay fresh for 6 months; but check dates when buying)
- Dried fruits such as apricots and raisins.
- Canned tuna, salmon, chicken or turkey. (Can be eaten out of can; check dates; good for 2 years)
- Canned vegetables, such as green beans, carrots and peas. (Can be eaten out of can; check dates; good for 2 years)
- Canned soups and chili. (Can be eaten out of can; check dates; good for 2 years)
- Instant coffee, tea, cocoa, canned juices, and other beverages.
- Sports drinks such as Gatorade or PowerAde. Check dates. (Can be eaten out of can; check dates; good for 2 years)
- Powdered Milk when fresh Milk is not an option.
- Pet food/treats; dry or canned.

### **Hygiene, Health and Other Non-Food Items:**

- Paper Products such as cups, plates, paper-towels, napkins, aluminum foil etc.
- Sanitary hand and body wipes
- Medications
- First Aid Kit
- At least a week or more supply of medications.
- Manual can opener
- Scissors
- Plastic eating utensils
- Zip-lock bags (various sizes)
- Toilet paper
- Sanitary hand and body wipes
- Alcohol-based sanitizer
- Garbage bags.
- Flash lights and batteries
- Radio that will allow you to get emergency weather and disaster reports from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and can use multiple power sources
- Cell phone and multiple power source adapters (car and home)
- Transportation-keep your vehicle gassed-up

### **What to take to a Shelter:**

- Identification and important papers
- Change of clothing, sturdy shoes, rain protection
- Toiletries and personal items for hygiene such as body wipes, sanitary napkins, diapers, incontinent supplies etc.
- All prescription and over the counter medications you take daily
- Blankets, pillows, sleeping bags etc.
- Special needs dietary foods and non-perishable snacks
- Flashlight and battery

### **Emergency Information and Family Contact Numbers**

- **Identification and important papers in zip-lock bags; where you can get them with short notice**
- **Emergency requiring immediate intervention: 911**
- **Jackson County Emergency Management: 850-482-9678**
- **Jackson County Sheriff's Office: 850-482-9664**
- **Marianna Fire Department: 850-482-2414**
- **Marianna Police Department: 850-526-3125**
- **Jackson County Senior Citizens: 850-482-5028**
- **Jackson Hospital: 850-526-2200**
- **Jackson County Veteran's Office: 850-718-0003**
- **Jackson County Road Department: 850-482-9629**

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