Special Considerations

Rodents/small mammals – Make sure to have adequate bedding and litter materials with at least 3 days of food.

Birds – Special attention must be given to keeping them protected from cold temperatures. Have a blanket on-hand to wrap the cage and ensure to have at least 3 days of food.

Amphibians and reptiles – These cold-blooded creatures require a heated environment. Talk to your vet or exotic pet dealer/breeder for specific emergency care tips.

Fish – Lack of heat, air, and filtration can be lethal to aquarium fish. Hand and foot warmers in a Ziploc bag can be dropped in the tank to help maintain warm water temperatures. Wrapping the tank with a blanket will also help keep the water warm. It is also a good idea to place a battery powered water aerator into

the tank to help with air and filtration.



Small farm animals – Plan ahead. Do you have alternate housing or pasturing for your animals? Is there someone who will feed and water them if you are unable to?

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To learn more about emergency preparedness and for dates of upcoming information sessions on preparedness visit:

www.esquimalt.ca/public safety/emergencyprograms/ NEPP.aspx Plan for your pet in the event of a disaster or evacuation



Pet Identification

Pet's name:
Date of birth:
Breed:
Description:
Behavioural concerns:
Medication(s) and dosage:
Feeding:
Microchip/tattoo #:
License/rabies tag #
Owner (Name):
Telephone:
Out of area contact (Name):
Telephone:
Vet (Name):
Telephone:

Pet Grab & Go Kit

Have a bag assembled ahead of time so that if you need to leave in a hurry the things you need, for your pet, will be ready.

- ☐ Food and water for a minimum of 3 days
- ☐ Treats
- ☐ Bowls for feeding/watering
- ☐ Can opener and spoon
- ☐ Medications (if needed)
- □ Blanket
- ☐ Toy
- ☐ Leash
- ☐ Plastic bags for waste
- ☐ This completed brochure

Ask Yourself

- What would happen if I had to be evacuated from my home because of a fire or flood?
- What would happen in an earthquake or tsunami?



Be Prepared

- Make sure your pet has identification such as collar tag, tattoo, or micro-chip.
- Have current contact information on the tag.
- Keep a record of your pet's identification numbers.
- Carry a photo of your pet, preferably with you in the photo for easy identification.
- Try to have a kennel or crate for transportation.
- Have a list of pet friendly accommodations in the local area.
- Arrange for a family member or friend to take your pet if you have to be evacuated from your home.
- Fill in this brochure so that you have all the pertinent information if your pet goes astray.

Don't wait until disaster strikes. Be prepared now!