



EVACUATION GUIDE

Be Prepared, Stay Safe!



In an emergency evacuation, every second counts. Knowing what to take and what to do based on the time you have can make all the difference. Follow this guide to ensure you evacuate quickly and safely.

IF YOU HAVE 5 MINUTES

- Grab your "Go Bag" (pre-packed emergency kit with essentials)
- Keys, wallet, phone, and charger
- Medications & prescriptions
- Shoes & weather appropriate clothing
- Pets & their essentials
- Leave immediately – **DO NOT DELAY**

IF YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES

- Everything from the 5 minute list, PLUS:
- Important documents (ID, insurance, deeds, medical records)
- Medications & essential medical equipment
- Cash & credit cards
- Nonperishable food & water
- A flashlight and extra batteries
- Basic hygiene items
- Communicate your evacuation plan with family or emergency contacts

IF YOU HAVE 30 MINUTES

- Everything from the 15 minute list, PLUS:
- Additional clothing & shoes
- Laptop or hard drives with important data
- *Family heirlooms or irreplaceable valuables*
- Extra pet supplies (more food, comfort items)
- More food, water, and a first aid kit

IF YOU HAVE 1 HOUR

- Everything from the 30 minute list, PLUS:
- Additional clothing, blankets, pillows
- More food and water for extended stays
- Entertainment items (books, games, comfort items for kids)
- Backup copies of important records (USB drive, cloud storage access)

PREPARE YOUR HOME:

- Close windows and doors
- Move flammable items away from the house (patio furniture)
- Turn off utilities if recommended
- Leave a note with your contact information and evacuation destination

GENERAL TIPS FOR EVACUATION

- Know your evacuation routes and practice ahead of time
- Have a designated meeting place for family and friends
- Always keep your gas tank at least half full
- Help neighbors who may need assistance evacuating
- Visit AlertSLO.org to sign up for emergency alerts
- Stay informed via official sources like CAL FIRE, SLO County, and local law enforcement

EMERGENCY GO BAG: WHAT TO PACK

A "Go Bag" is a prepacked emergency kit that you can grab quickly in case of an evacuation. It should include:



BE READY BEFORE AN EMERGENCY HITS!

Preparedness and safety information:

www.slocity.org/prepare

More information on how you can prepare:

www.prepareslo.org

Current emergency information & evacuation zones www.emergencyslo.org

