



PREPAREDNESS PLAN for HORSES & LIVESTOCK

Fill out one form for an individual, a herd, or a group of animals

This form will help you organize to shelter in place or evacuate with your animals

Attach a photo of you and your animal(s) together. If you become separated, the photo and this form will help document ownership & allow others to assist you in identification.

Animal's Name: _____

Horse; Cow; Goat; Sheep; Other: _____

Breed: _____ **Age:** _____ Male; Female; Neutered

Color and Markings: _____

Each animal should have some form of permanent ID in case you become separated

Tag# _____; Tattoo# _____; Microchip# _____

Attach a copy of ownership papers & health records; for horses – also attach a copy of a current Coggins

Feed (type/amount/frequency): _____

List any Special Needs, Medication, or Treatment and the Dose/Frequency:

Depending on the situation, it is likely you will shelter your livestock in place. In that case, you need to plan on being self-sufficient for at least 5-7 days (feed, hay, water, electrical needs). If your farm is dependent on electricity (for water well, fans, or heaters), then you should purchase a generator capable of supplying sufficient energy. You will also need a store of fuel for the generator for at least 5-7 days.

You should make arrangements with a neighbor, friend, relative, or other local contact that is available and capable of caring for your livestock if you are unable to do so. They should have a copy of this form and be familiar with your animals and your farm.

Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone #'s:** _____

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EVACUATION:

You may have to evacuate your horse(s) or livestock. Find several alternative locations and inquire on entry requirements and species restrictions. Options for alternative locations include private stables or farms, racetracks, fairgrounds, equestrian centers, and humane societies. The County Office of Emergency Management may have a list of possible locations to be used during an emergency. These may be available only under specific circumstances that affect a large community. You should make arrangements in advance and plan transportation and route (some roads may be closed to trailers during an emergency or evacuation). At least one of your options should be located outside of your community in case the entire area is impacted.

<u>Name of facility</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone Number(s)</u>	<u>Entry Requirements</u>
<i>Ex.: Garden Farm</i>	<i>124 Main St. Smallville, NJ</i>	<i>908-555-1234</i>	<i>Rabies vaccination; Coggins; Horses only</i>

Each animal should have its own halter and lead. Store these items where they can be easily accessed during an emergency. Most likely, you will need to bring your own buckets, feed, hay, bedding, and possibly hose or even your own water.

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Important Emergency Numbers:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone Number(s)</u>
<u>Local Emergency Services</u>	<u>Fire</u>	_____	
	<u>Police</u>	_____	
	<u>EMT</u>	_____	
<u>Veterinarian</u>			
<u>State Department of Agriculture</u>			
<u>County OEM* or CART**</u>			
<u>Local Feed Store</u>			
<u>Other</u>			

*OEM – Office of Emergency Management

** CART – County Animal Response Team

If you must evacuate and leave your horse(s) or livestock behind, leave them in an area most appropriate for the type of disaster (i.e., high ground away from flooding).

Leave sufficient water for at least a few days and if possible, leave hay as well. Keep in mind that automatic waterers will not work if there is a power failure.

Make sure your animals have some form of ID in case they escape in your absence.

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