

Pet Guidelines for Hurricane Preparedness – Evacuation

Evacuating With Your Pet

If you evacuate your home, DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PETS BEHIND! If your pets survive the storm, they could escape through broken windows or doors and become lost. Even a familiar neighborhood will change after the storm, disorienting your pets, and increasing the chances they will become lost.

Don't forget the pet survival kit when you leave.

Hotels/Motels Accepting Pets

If you will evacuate to a hotel/motel, call first to locate one that allows pets. Many will take reservations. Some may change their no pet policy in evacuation situations.

A list of pet friendly hotels/motels in Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties is available by calling Animal Care at 954-359-1313 ext. 227.

The following sites contain listings of hotels and motels accepting pets:

- ▶ [Broward County](#)
- ▶ [Dade County](#)
- ▶ [Palm Beach County](#)

The Automobile Club of America publishes a book (for members only) that lists hotels/motels accepting pets. Call 1-800-596-2228 for membership information.

Boarding at a Kennel

Make your reservation early, well before hurricane starts. Private kennels have limited space. Most kennels require that pets have current vaccinations.

Make sure each pet is wearing a collar with current county animal license tag and the pet has a tattoo or microchip.

Boarding at a Friend's or Relative's Home

Another option is for you and your pet to stay at a friend's or relative's home not in the evacuation zone.

Bring your pet survival supply kit and use the supplies for your pet's sanitary and food needs.

For safety, select a safe room such as a closet or interior room without windows or the bathroom, utility room, or enclosed garage. Keep the pet away from windows if at all possible.

For easier cleaning of the safe room, line the entire floor or portion of the floor with newspaper or plastic.

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