

Don't forget the pets!



My daughter and her husband often visit us with their oversized dog. She will always bring two stainless steel bowls, one for water and one for food. She also brings a Ziploc bag full of dog food. Finally she brings a chain to restrain the dog in the back of our property if necessary.

Whatever your pet, whatever the size, you can do the same. The principle is simple. Have a Ziploc bag full of food. If you use canned food have enough for 3 to 5 days and a manual can opener if necessary. Add to your stash one bowl for water and one bowl for food. Place all of the items in another large Ziploc bag, box or container of some sort. It is that simple. Store it in a convenient place, rotate your food and replace what you use immediately. Always be ready to leave quickly.



Also you need to have a supply of plastic bags to retrieve the animal's poop. Some areas may not allow pets. Size of your pets may also be an issue at some facilities. My best advice is to plan in advance where you will go with your pets. Explore several options today to have the answer before the problem arises.

If you have more than one pet prepare individual emergency ration bags for each one. Keep in mind that you may have to take them to separate locations.