



Protect your pet in a disaster

Safe Shelter Places

It is vital to plan whether you will take your horse with you in a disaster, and how you will keep it safe and secure. This avoids the risky late retrieval of your horse from your property. Check with your local council ahead of time if there are arrangements in your area for housing horses safely in a disaster.

- **A Safe Paddock:** Plan and agree with a family member, friend or paddock owner (who doesn't live with you) if they will care for your horse for any length of time, in case of a disaster.
- **Place their full name, address and telephone number in your Disaster Survival Kit in a waterproof container.** All adults and children in your household should know these primary and alternative contacts (names/addresses/contact numbers) or always carry this information with them.
- **Show them and a neighbour where your Disaster Survival Kits are kept** in case you are not at home when disaster strikes and you are cut off from returning to your horse. This means your neighbour can feed and attend to your horse in the interim.

Practise your plan

To ensure you and your horse can move fast, you should practice getting your horse to your safe paddock.

Remember to practise your plan regularly so that your horse becomes used to entering and travelling calmly in their float.

Also try evacuating in the dark. This will ensure you can navigate quicker if a disaster strikes during the night or if there is a power cut.

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