

MY PETS

Write it down today. A frightened animal does not behave as it normally does.

MY PETS

NAME SPECIES AND MARKINGS

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WHO WILL TAKE CARE OF THE PETS

WHERE IT HIDES WHEN FRIGHTENED

WHERE THE CARRIER AND LEASH ARE

VETERINARIAN AND PHONE NUMBER

OUR MEETING POINT



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NEXT TO THE EMERGENCY BACKPACK

THE PET'S KIT

In the same place as the backpack, known to everyone.
Quantities are adjusted to the animal's size and species.

- ☐ Enough food for several days
- ☐ Water and portable water bowls
- ☐ Medications needed
- ☐ Veterinarian's documents
- ☐ Hygiene items and waste bags
- ☐ Species-specific items
- ☐ Carrier, in an easily accessible place
- ☐ Leash and harness, always in the same place
- ☐ A blanket, a toy, or another familiar object

THREE WAYS TO RECOVER YOUR PET

ID tag with up-to-date contact details, on dogs and cats.
Microchip where available, with up-to-date information.
Recent photographs on your phone and a copy with your documentation.



The leash and harness go with the emergency kit,
not in some random drawer.



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EARTHQUAKES

Pets

“During an earthquake,
people's safety is the priority.”

The best way to protect a pet is to prepare
beforehand, and not to become another casualty.

PREPARE IT BEFORE
PROTECT YOURSELF DURING
SECURE IT AFTER

the three phases of an earthquake apply to them too.

Educational document for the general public
in Latin America and the United States

PHASE 1: BEFORE

Preparing in advance makes it easier to protect and recover pets after an emergency.

FIVE THINGS SORTED OUT IN ADVANCE



Identification. Tag with up-to-date contact information for dogs and cats. Microchip when available, with up-to-date information. Recent photos on your phone and a copy of documentation.



The place where it hides. Identify the places where the pet tends to hide when it feels afraid. Avoid placing over those spots: heavy shelves, mirrors, pictures, objects that could fall.



The carrier. in an easily accessible location. Get the animal used to it in advance. You can include a blanket, toy, or familiar item inside of it.



Leash and harness. Always keep them in the same place, near the emergency kit.



Food and water. The emergency backpack should also include food suitable for your pet. The rest (water, portable containers, and species-specific items) goes in your pet's kit.

AND A FAMILY DECISION

Today, as a family, decide who will take care of the pets if you need to evacuate. Write it down in the “My Pets” section of this brochure.

GET THEM USED TO THE CARRIER BEFORE, NOT ON THE DAY OF THE EARTHQUAKE

PHASE 2: DURING

During an earthquake, people's safety is a priority.

A FRIGHTENED ANIMAL MAY:
Run, hide, try to escape, resist being handled, scratch or bite defensively.

DEPENDING ON WHERE YOU ARE WHEN IT STARTS



If it is next to you: Keep it with you if you can do so without compromising your own safety (never at the expense of protecting your head and neck or holding on).



If it hides: Don't run after it. Don't put your hands under furniture. Protect yourself and wait for it to stop.



If it's in the carrier: Don't take it out. If it's within reach, you can move it a few centimeters to a safer spot. Never put your body on top of it.

✗ Do not leave your safe place to look for it

✗ Do not walk across the room while it is shaking

✗ Do not reach under a piece of furniture

✗ Do not carry the animal down the stairs

PROTECT YOURSELF FIRST. THEN LOOK FOR YOUR PET.

PHASE 3: AFTER

Locate the pets when you can do so without putting yourself in danger. A scared pet, will try to escape.

BEFORE OPENING THE DOOR TO THE EXTERIOR, SECURE THE ANIMAL.

HOW TO SECURE IT

- Put a leash and harness on the dog.
- Use a muzzle only when the animal needs it and is accustomed to wearing one.
- Place cats and other small animals in a suitable carrier.
- Keep pets under control throughout the evacuation.

WHERE IT SHOULD NOT WALK OFF-LEASH



Glass and sharp objects, debris, spilled substances, electrical wires and hot surfaces. Pooled water and trash.

AT THE MEETING POINT



Keep your pet on a leash, in a harness, or inside a carrier. Noises, sirens, other people, other animals, and aftershocks can startle even a well-behaved pet.

DO NOT RETURN TO AN UNSAFE BUILDING JUST TO LOOK FOR A PET

When you can look for it without putting yourself at serious risk, do so with caution.