

BE READY

Evacuation Plan

- ◆ Make a plan, and be sure everyone in your family understands it.
- ◆ Assign tasks to each family member for what to do during Level 1 (Ready), Level 2 (Set) and Level 3 (GO!) evacuations.
- ◆ Have an evacuation plan for your pets and livestock. If it isn't safe for you, it's not safe for them.
- ◆ Designate a meeting place – this could be a friend or family member's house, or an evacuation shelter.
- ◆ Choose an out-of-the-area contact person to relay information about your welfare to family and friends and to keep your phone lines open.

House Preparation

- ◆ Make sure house numbers are visible from the street.
- ◆ Make sure driveways are wide enough for emergency vehicles to enter (10-12 feet wide).
- ◆ Prepare your defensible space.

Emergency Kits - Keep them ready at all times in your home and vehicle.

- ◆ Include supplies for you and everyone who lives in your home or visits regularly.
- ◆ Include supplies for your pets .
- ◆ Include copies of important documents, phone contact lists, family photos, household inventory lists , and any portable valuables .
- ◆ Keep your vehicles filled with gas.

BE SET

- ◆ Keep pets and livestock ready to go in case you need to evacuate in a hurry.
- ◆ Be sure to have your photo ID or something showing your current address in case you need to access an evacuated area.
- ◆ Monitor local television and radio stations for updates.
- ◆ Move propane BBQ appliances away from structures (during wildfires).

GO!

- ◆ Leave house lights on and windows closed.
- ◆ Let your emergency contact and/or family members know where you are going.

Three Levels of Evacuation

In the event of an emergency in your area, you may be asked to evacuate. It's important to understand the different levels of evacuation and what they mean for you, your family, your pets and your home.



Entry to evacuated areas may be denied until conditions are safe.

Local TV and radio stations have been asked to broadcast periodic updates.

Be Ready, Be Set, GO!

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Evacuation Information



*What you need to know
before it's time to go*

Be Ready Level 1 Evacuation

BE PREPARED

Residents should be aware of the danger that exists in their area, monitor emergency services websites and local media outlets for information.



This is the time for preparation and precautionary movement of persons with special needs, mobile property and (under certain circumstances) pets and livestock.

****Check with your local authorities to see if a mass emergency notification system is available in your area!**

Be Set Level 2 Evacuation

YOU MUST PREPARE TO LEAVE AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE

This level indicates there is significant danger to your area, and residents should either voluntarily relocate to a shelter or with family/friends outside of the affected area, or if choosing to remain, to be ready to evacuate at a moment's notice.

Residents MAY have time to gather necessary items, but doing so is at their own risk.

THIS MAY BE THE ONLY NOTICE THAT YOU RECEIVE

Emergency services cannot guarantee that they will be able to notify you if conditions rapidly deteriorate. Area media services will be asked to broadcast periodic updates.

GO! Level 3 Evacuation

LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!

Danger to your area is current or imminent, and you should evacuate immediately. If you choose to ignore this advisement, you must understand that emergency services may not be available to assist you further.

DO NOT delay leaving to gather any belongings or make efforts to protect your home.

THIS WILL BE THE LAST NOTICE THAT YOU RECEIVE



During an emergency, check our website for important updates!

<http://www.co.polk.or.us/em>