

# GET YOUR PETS THRU TOO!

You never know when a disaster could strike. As a pet owner, you may suddenly find yourself having to care for your pets as well as your family. So it is important to include them in your emergency preparedness.

## Prepare your pet

- Attach a permanent disk to your pet's collar that clearly states your name, phone number and, if there is room, your address.
- Get your pets microchipped and registered now to enable easier identification in a disaster.
- Get together emergency supplies for your pet (see reverse for details).

## Evacuation

If you have to evacuate, always take your pets with you. If your house isn't safe for you, it isn't safe for your pets.

Arrange with friends and family to take in your pets temporarily if you need to evacuate.

If you don't have a place for your pets to go, we can help find temporary shelter for them - owners are responsible for all costs associated with housing them during an emergency.

## Have a plan

When you sit down to plan how the family will respond in an emergency, make sure you plan for your pets as well so they can get thru safely.



## Be prepared at home

Include pet supplies in your emergency kit. You'll have most of these around your home already.



3 DAY SUPPLY OF WATER



3 DAY SUPPLY OF PET FOOD



COLLAR AND ID TAG



FOOD + WATER BOWLS



BLANKET



FAVOURITE TOY



CARRY CAGE OR CRATE



LEASH OR HARNESS



KITTY LITTER OR DOGGY BAGS



PHOTOS OF YOU + YOUR PET



PET INFORMATION CARD



VACCINATION + MEDICAL RECORDS

## Owner's responsibilities

### Under New Zealand law:

- It is the owners responsibilities to always see to the physical, health and behavioural needs of their pets.
- It is an offense to desert or abandon your pets without a reasonable excuse.

## Further Information

Head to our website to download your pet information card and pet emergency kit checklist and to find out more about pet preparedness

[www.cdemtaranaki.govt.nz](http://www.cdemtaranaki.govt.nz)

