



# Wildfire Evacuation Checklist

During wildfire season be prepared by following this checklist for your grab and go bag and as a guide if an evacuation is anticipated and time allows. For more information on emergency preparedness visit PreparedBC webpage.



## EVACUATION NOTIFICATIONS & INFORMATION

**VOYENT Alert RDCK Emergency Notifications** - Register to receive emergency notifications for your area. Register @ <https://voyent-alert.com/ca/community> Or download the app



**Be Aware of Current Wildfires**  
Check the BC Wildfire webpage for fire status or download the mobile App Get updates on Facebook @BCForestFireInfo Twitter @BCGovFireInfo



**Important Numbers**  
Report a wildfire: 1 800 663-5555 or \*5555 on a cell  
Fire information line: 1 888 336-7378  
Evacuee Support Services 1 800 585-9559

**Evacuation Alert:**  
This means be ready to leave on short notice

**Evacuation Order:**  
You are at risk. Leave the area immediately.

**Evacuation Rescind:**  
All is currently safe and you can return home.

### BEFORE:

#### READY YOUR PROPERTY!

- Create a defensible space 30ft around structures.
- Use fire-resistant building materials.
- Keep yard cut below 10cm and well irrigated.
- Set up sprinklers around house and on roofline to keep area wet.
- Remove patio furniture, wood, gas/propane at least 30ft away from structures.

#### MAKE A PLAN!

- Plan several evacuation routes from your home.
- Designate a safe meeting place with family and out of area contact.

#### READY YOUR VEHICLE!

- Keep vehicles fuel above half full.
- Keep first aid kit and tools in vehicle.

#### PREPARE GRAB N GO KIT!

- See reverse for essential items to include.

### DURING EVACUATION:

#### COMMUNICATE:

- Keep your cell phone charged.
- Leave note with contact info and out-of-area contact taped to inside of window/door.
- Notify out-of-area contact of your phone number, location and status.

#### PREPARE YOUR VEHICLE(S):

- Bring a Chainsaw if possible
- Put your 'Grab n Go' kit and essentials in your vehicle. (Reverse)

#### PREPARE YOUR HOUSE:

- Place combustible patio furniture or other items in the house or garage.
- Ensure garden hoses are connected and sprinklers are set up.
- Turn off all pilot lights.
- Shut all windows and doors.
- Shut off propane or gas tanks.
- Remove combustible exterior window shades.
- Turn on outside house lights
- Make fire suppression resources available for responders.

Ensure the safety of yourself and loved ones above all else.

#### FAMILY/PETS/LIVESTOCK:

- If possible evacuate family members not essential to preparing the home for wildfire.
- Activate Family plan and evac location.
- Bring protective clothing; such as long sleeve shirt, pants, good footwear, and face covering or N95 mask.
- Evacuate pets and livestock whenever possible, and never turn animals loose.

#### WHEN YOU LEAVE:

- Leave immediately if ordered.
- Place white towel on driveway or doorway with rock to indicate to responders that you have left.
- Don't wait for an evac order if you feel unsafe.
- Don't block roadways if you need to abandon vehicle pull to side of road.
- Proceed downhill away from fire if possible.
- Avoid evac by forest service road, or uphill into areas with unburned vegetation.



# EMERGENCY EVACUATION KIT

## GRAB & GO BAG



Before an evacuation, you should have a grab & go bag completed for each family member. A grab & Go bag should be small enough to carry but can sustain you and your family for 6-12 hours. The following are some items that are recommended for this bag:

<b>FOOD</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Litre of water for each person <input type="checkbox"/> High energy snacks	<b>MEDICAL</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Medication and a copy of prescriptions <input type="checkbox"/> Spare eyeglasses <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary medical devices <input type="checkbox"/> First aid kit	<b>TOILETRIES</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush and toothpaste <input type="checkbox"/> Soap and hand sanitizer <input type="checkbox"/> Cleansing wipes <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper <input type="checkbox"/> Feminine hygiene products	
<b>IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Identification <input type="checkbox"/> Family emergency contact list <input type="checkbox"/> Care card (s) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance papers and pictures of your house and contents <input type="checkbox"/> Passport(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Birth & Marriage Certificate(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Spare keys for house/car <input type="checkbox"/> Map marked with two evac routes	<b>OTHER</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Headlamp and flashlight with extra batteries <input type="checkbox"/> Radio (with batteries) <input type="checkbox"/> Face coverings or N95 masks <input type="checkbox"/> Change of clothing <input type="checkbox"/> Extra cell phone and laptop chargers <input type="checkbox"/> Communication devices; cell phones, laptops, tablets.	<b>COMFORT ITEMS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Some Family photos <input type="checkbox"/> Small games or stuffy for children	
<b>BABY CARE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Baby food <input type="checkbox"/> Bottles <input type="checkbox"/> Medications <input type="checkbox"/> Diapers <input type="checkbox"/> Wipes		<b>PETS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Kennel(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Medications <input type="checkbox"/> Leashes, Collar and ID Tag <input type="checkbox"/> Food and treats	

### OUT-OF-AREA CONTACTS

NAME: .....

PHONE: .....

EMAIL: .....

ADDRESS: .....

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### EVACUATION LOCATIONS

LOCATION 1: .....

NOTES: .....

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LOCATION 2: .....

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Evac Routes Map

