

EVACUATION



EVACUATION ALERT

If you receive an Evacuation ALERT from the Town of Banff Emergency Coordination Centre, you should undertake the following preparations:

- Ensure you are subscribed by email or text to Town of Banff Alert Centre at banff.ca/notify**
- Alert all family members immediately and know where they are, at all times.
- Bring all pets indoors and confine them so you can find them quickly when you need to leave.
- Notify your family contact where you are going and when you might get there.
- Prepare and fuel your motor vehicles.
- Ready your emergency supplies (see the emergency kit checklist) Ex. First aid kit, flashlight, portable radios, batteries, basic tools, matches, candles, etc.
- Secure your home. If you have time, bring things indoors such as lawn furniture, toys, garden equipment, hanging plants or any objects that might be blown around or swept away.
- Ready your pets' supplies.
- Pack at least one change of clothes and a sleeping bag or bedroll and pillow for each household member.
- Ensure that each household member has identification, especially your children. Gather medications, money and personal papers.
- Prepare 4 litres drinking water per day for each household member along with utensils and non-perishable snacks.
- Turn off propane gas.
- Prohibited items: Do not take alcoholic beverages, firearms or dangerous articles with you.

If you have a severe speech, language, hearing or sight disability:

- Advise emergency personnel or friends. Ask them to be your source of emergency information.
- Gather writing pads and pens to communicate with others.
- Keep a flashlight handy to signal your whereabouts.
- Ready your service animal's supplies. Ensure they have identification and contact phone numbers attached to their collars. Registered service animals may stay in emergency shelters with their owners.

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EVACUATION ORDER

If you receive an Evacuation ORDER from the Town of Banff, you are being ordered to evacuate.

- Ensure you are subscribed by email or text to Town of Banff Alert Centre at banff.ca/notify**
- Turn off and unplug all appliances. If you've been instructed to do so, turn off all utilities at the main switches or valves.
- Lock doors and windows.
- Ensure all members of your family are wearing appropriate clothing for the weather and protective footwear.
- Leave within the time specified by emergency personnel. It may be immediately.
- Take your pets with you.
- Use the travel routes specified by emergency personnel. Don't use shortcuts because certain areas may be impassable or dangerous.
- Refrain from using your telephone or cell phone, except in case of an immediate emergency. Leave the network open for emergency personnel use.
- Register with the designated emergency reception centre, even if you are not staying at the centre; emergency responders need to know how to reach you to advise when it is safe to return. Inform Registrar at the reception centre of your medical needs.
- Stay connected by checking emergency alerts issued on banff.ca, on Twitter @banff_town and listen to local radio (Mountain FM 106.5, CBC 96.3). Check Alberta Emergency Alert system at emergencyalert.alberta.ca.
- Town of Banff emergency personnel will advise you when it is safe to return to your home if you leave your contact information at the emergency reception centre.

Evacuating your pets

- Pack leashes, harnesses and/or carriers to transport pets safely.
- Dry food & drinking water bowls & 4 litres of water per day and manual can opener.
- Cat litter/pan.
- Medications and copies of medical records stored in a waterproof container. A first aid kit for pets.
- Current photos of you with your pet(s) in case they get lost.
- Information on feeding schedules, medical conditions, behaviour problems, and the name and number of your veterinarian in case you have to foster or board your pets.
- Pet beds and toys, if easily transportable.
- ID attached to their collars.