

Evacuation-Ready Checklist

Planning

- ☐ Sign up for SLRD Alert at www.slrd.bc.ca/SLRDAlert to get early notification of an evacuation alert or order, and emergency updates specific to your area.
- ☐ Plan a common place (outside of the expected evacuation area) to meet family. You might not all be home together, or even in the same town.
- ☐ Keep vehicles filled with enough fuel to get to a reception centre in a town or city outside of the evacuation area.
- ☐ If possible, arrange accommodation (“pet-friendly” if necessary) for your family outside of the evacuation area. In the event of an evacuation, Reception Centres will be opened if required. However, pets are not permitted at public shelters.
- ☐ Make plans for emergency travel with neighbours or local friends if you do not have a vehicle or access to one.
- ☐ If an Evacuation Alert has been issued, people with livestock should move animals to a safe area outside of the Evacuation Alert zone. Learn more in the SLRD’s [Emergency Commercial Livestock Relocation Guide](#).
- ☐ If you have medical needs and require assistance to evacuate, make a plan in advance with your primary health provider, a neighbour or nearby friend.
- ☐ Listen to local news, www.SLRD.bc.ca or follow SLRD on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

Packing Up

- ☐ Wear and pack season-appropriate clothing.
- ☐ Take purse/wallet, cash and credit cards – bank machines may not be working.
- ☐ Cellphone and charger
- ☐ Medications, eye glasses, important documents (e.g. insurance, mortgage, prescriptions), photos and ID
- ☐ Blankets & pillows, sleeping bags, water and snacks, books and games
- ☐ Make arrangements for pets and take leashes, crates/cages, pet food and any medications they have. Don’t leave pets behind. [Learn more here.](#)

Preparing Your Home

- ☐ Be sure all windows and doors are shut.
- ☐ Hook up garden sprinklers but don’t turn them on (fire evacuation).
- ☐ Turn off lights and electrical appliances EXCEPT refrigerators and freezers.
- ☐ Move propane tanks away from your house (fire evacuation).

As You Leave

- ☐ Contact your out-of-area emergency contact (identified in your family emergency plan) to let them know what has happened and how to contact you. Alert them to any separated family members.
- ☐ Leave exterior lights on to make house easy to find.
- ☐ Lock your home. Close and latch gates, but do not lock them.