

We've put together a number of other key contacts that may be useful in an emergency:

BBC Radio Shropshire **NHS**
www.bbc.co.uk/
radioshropshire
Tune in to 96FM

111

NFU

01952 709365

Blue Cross
0300 7771897

Police

(non-emergency)

101

**Electricity -
Western Power**
0800 6783105

Public Services

www.direct.gov.uk

Floodline
0345 9881188

RSPCA

0300 1234999

**Fire & Rescue
(non-emergency)**
(01743) 260200

**Telford & Wrekin
Council**

www.telford.gov.uk

01952 380000

Gas - National Grid
0800 111999

Government website
www.gov.uk

Met Office
www.metoffice.gov.uk

**Remember 999 should only
be used in an emergency**



Notes

Civil Resilience Team
Unit B4b, Stafford Park 11
Telford TF3 3AY

phone: 01952 381960
email: civil.resilience@telford.gov.uk

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Plan for your Animals



Introduction

Let's get ready!

Some things in life we can plan for like birthdays and weddings, but life isn't always that predictable.

Emergencies can significantly disrupt our daily lives and whilst we can't prevent them from happening, we can plan ahead to minimise their impact. This guide outlines some simple steps to help you prepare for the safety and welfare of your pets and animals in case of an emergency or evacuation.

Don't wait for the unexpected to happen - PREPARE NOW



Planning for your animals in emergencies

- Ensure all vaccinations and medicines are current and up to date.
- Ensure all pets and animals can be easily identified, take pictures of your pets or animals for ease of identification after the event. Make sure that any registration address systems have your current home address details.
- Enquire to see where your pets could be boarded outside of the emergency i.e. with family or friends. If you are using a temporary shelter make sure that you provide details of feeding requirements, medications and other needs.
- Secure animals inside on the notification of an emergency, so they do not get frightened and try to run away. Make sure all doors and windows are closed and you listen to local radio or TV for the latest information.
- Use a secure pet carrier/cage, leads or harness to transport animals to safety.



What if you cannot take your pets/animals with you...

- Leave your pets indoors, if they have to be left outside DO NOT tie them up.
- Use rooms with little or no windows that can be easily cleaned i.e. bathroom, toilet or utility.
- Provide adequate food and water, in large heavy bowls that can't be tipped over.
- Use dispensers that regulate food where needed.
- In case of flood, place boxes or crates to allow access to high areas such as tables or chairs.
- Provide sanitation and bedding for each pet.
- Tell a friend or relative where you can be contacted, where your pets are and what their needs are.

After an emergency

As their surroundings may have changed, animals can be disorientated, frightened or even aggressive. Take care when releasing them and if possible find a safe confined area, to prevent them injuring themselves.

If your animal is missing?

Check local rescue centres, animal shelters and boarding kennels. Take a recent photo with you so that it is easier to identify your animals.