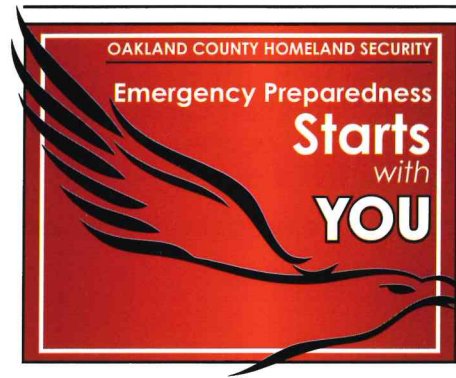
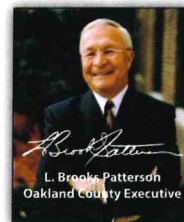


Emergency Supplies Kit Checklist

- Prepare your emergency supplies kit in advance
- Battery-powered or hand-crank flashlight
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
- Extra batteries (if needed)
- One gallon of water per person per day for a minimum of three days
- Non-perishable food for a minimum of three days
- Pre-cut and labeled plastic sheeting for windows and doors
- Duct tape to seal the pre-cut plastic sheeting
- Towels for sealing off the bottom of the door
- Scissors to cut duct tape
- First aid kit with medicines, etc.
- Multipurpose tool
- Sanitation/personal hygiene items
- Extra clothes and bedding
- Copies of personal documents
- Family and emergency contact information
- Phone/cell phone with charger
- Extra cash
- Other necessities (for pets, etc.)



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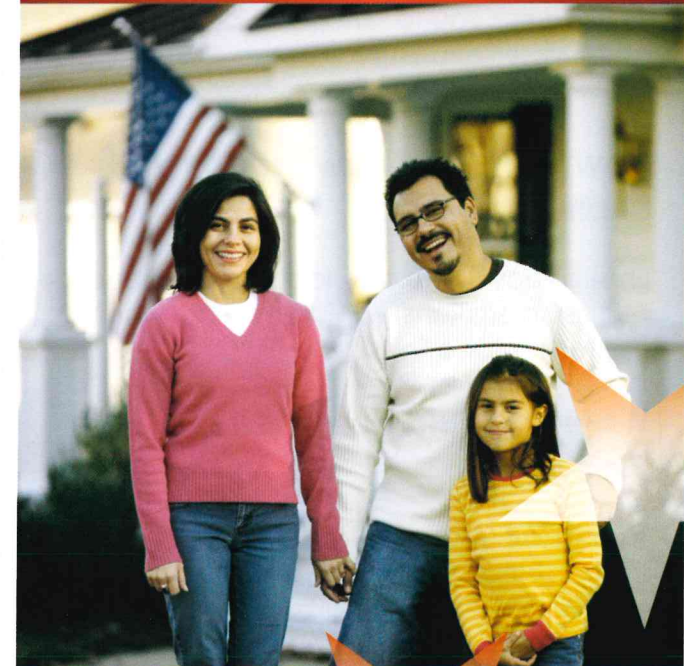
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SHELTERING IN PLACE

A Guide to Keep You and Your Family Safe in the Event of a Hazardous Material Incident



What is Sheltering In Place?

Sheltering in place means to take cover in a building due to the severe air conditions outside (this is not the same as taking shelter in a storm).

When Should You Shelter In Place?

In public health emergencies, sometimes the safest place is inside. If the air is unsafe due to an incident involving hazardous chemicals or radiation, local authorities may advise you to "shelter in place," which limits your exposure to the outside air. Sheltering in place is very successful.

How Will You Know When to Shelter In Place?

Emergency officials, local radio and/or television stations will inform you when to shelter in place.

Where Should You Shelter In Place?

Try to find cover in your own home, however, this may not always be possible. You can take shelter in any nearby building. If there are no buildings in the vicinity, remain in your car. While your vehicle is not the ideal shelter, it will protect you more than remaining outside.

Preparing for Sheltering in Place

- **Pre-select a safe room:** Choose a room that has the fewest doors, windows and openings to the rest of the house with a water source (e.g. master bedroom with attached bathroom). The American Red Cross suggests that this room be above ground level to avoid vapors that sink.
- **Prepare an emergency supplies kit**
- **Hold practice drills**

When Sheltering In Place...

- Do not go to your children's school. They have plans in place and will be handling the situation. Your arrival will only impede the process.
- Do not repeatedly call 9-1-1.
Only call emergency services if you have an emergency.
- Do not seal off the whole house or office building, as there will not be enough time to do so. Instead, focus on sealing one pre-selected room.
- Do not leave your shelter until given the "all clear" by authorities.
- Do not risk your life for your pets. If you can not get them into the shelter, go into the shelter without them.

When is it Safe to Come Out of the Shelter?

Keep listening to your radio/television until you are told it is safe or you are told to evacuate by local officials.

What Should You do When a Warning is Issued?

If you are at home:

- Remain indoors if instructed to do so by authorities.
- Lock the exterior doors and windows, and close all the drapes and curtains.
- Turn off all heating and cooling systems, close fireplace dampers, vents and/or fans.
- Quickly collect your emergency supplies kit, family and pets and go to your pre-selected room.
- Place a towel (preferably wet) under the door.
- Seal all windows, doors and electrical and phone outlets with pre-cut plastic sheeting and tape.
- Turn on the radio or TV to listen for updates.

If you are in a building:

- Follow the building's procedures for sheltering in place.

If you are outside:

- Seek shelter in a building. If there are no nearby buildings, then shelter in your car. Staying outside will only increase your exposure to the hazard.

If you are in your car:

- Seek nearby shelter if possible.
- If unavailable, close all windows and vents and turn off heat/air conditioning.
- Listen to the radio for updates.