

# WILDFIRE EVACUATION Survival Checklist



## Are you prepared?

Follow this checklist to make sure you know what to do during a wildfire evacuation.

### Step 1: Get Alerts and Stay Informed

- Sign up for *AlertMarin.org* and *Nixle.com*.
- Monitor AM 740 Radio and *emergency.marincounty.org*.
- Pay attention outdoors. Use your eyes, ears, and nose.

### Step 2: Have a Go Kit Ready

#### What to Bring

- Goggles and N95 mask
- Flashlight and batteries
- Water
- Medicine
- Eye glasses
- Phone and charger
- Wallet and keys
- ID and Documents

#### What to Wear

- Protective cotton or wool long sleeve shirt
- Long pants
- Heavy leather gloves
- Cotton brimmed hat

#### For Your Pets

- Leash, ID tags
- Food, water, and medicine
- Crate

### Step 3: Make a Plan

- Map the most direct route to a main road. You will follow directions from there.
- Never use a fire road.
- Create an emergency contact list.
- Designate someone outside your area code as a point person.



# WILDFIRE EVACUATION Alerts and Warnings

## Know the Meaning



### Evacuation Order

means you must leave now! You are under an immediate threat and need to leave as fast as you can.



### Evacuation Warning

means that you need to get ready to evacuate. It's time to take action and be prepared to get in your car and go.



### Shelter in Place

is ordered when it is safer for you to stay in your home than evacuate. Stay informed to know if the conditions have changed. You may need to evacuate or the emergency may subside.



### Red Flag Warnings

are issued when conditions are right for a wildfire to spread quickly. This is the time to get ready to evacuate and prepare your home for an ember storm.

## Take Action

### On your way out:

- Put on long pants and long sleeve shirt and grab your Go Kit.
- Get your family in the car.
- Drive down hill on paved roads toward the valley floor.
- Follow traffic guidance and stay informed.

### Get Ready to Go

- Get your family ready and pack your Go Kit in the car.
- Review your evacuation routes.
- Check in with neighbors and loved ones who may need help.
- Gather and pack pre-selected valuables that fit in your car.
- Park your car facing out in your driveway.
- Evacuate if you don't feel safe; don't hesitate!

### Stay Calm and Protected

- Close doors, windows, vents, garage doors.
- Turn off gas and propane.
- Take a cellphone, fire extinguisher, bottled water and flashlight to a protected place in the home away from windows.
- Close heavy window coverings and remove lightweight window coverings.
- Stay informed!

### Be prepared to evacuate, then get your home ready

- Fill your gas tank and park your car facing out.
- Charge your cell phone and monitor for alerts.
- Remove combustibles from near your house.
- Rake leaves and clean your gutters.
- Do not use power machinery that could spark a fire.
- Close windows and doors.