

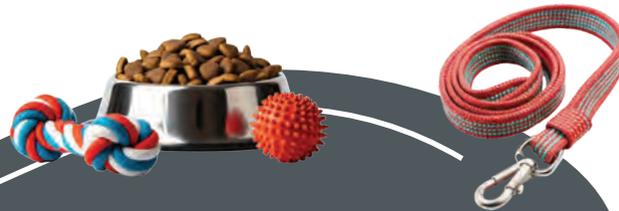
Keep your pets  
**safe** in any storm.

When a hurricane is on the way, your pets depend on you. This quick guide helps you prepare so your furry friends stay safe before, during and after a storm.



## Evacuation tips

- ✓ Never leave pets behind; they can't survive on their own.
- ✓ Transport pets in a secure carrier or crate.
- ✓ Bring your pet emergency kit and comfort items.
- ✓ Keep pets leashed or crated at all times during transit.



## Hurricane **PET PREP**

*Before, during and after a storm.*

### Important reminder:

*If a boil water notice is issued, it applies to your pets, too. Always boil water before giving it to them - or use bottled water - to keep them safe and healthy.*

### Port St. Lucie Animal Control

1133 SW South Macedo Blvd.  
772-871-5042

[CityofPSL.com/Hurricane](http://CityofPSL.com/Hurricane)



# Before the storm build a pet emergency kit



## Make sure your kit includes:



- Food & water for at least 5-7 days
- Medications & medical records in a waterproof bag
- Collar with ID tag, leash and harness
- Pet bed, crate or carrier
- Waste bags, litter box and cleaning supplies
- Comfort items like toys or blankets
- Recent photo of your pet (in case they get lost)

## During the storm

- Keep pets indoors and away from windows.
- Maintain a calm environment with familiar items.
- Monitor for signs of stress or anxiety.

## After the storm

- Check your yard and home for hazards before letting pets out.
- Watch for downed power lines, debris or contaminated water.
- Reassure pets. They could be disoriented or frightened.
- If your pet is missing, contact local shelters and post on social media with a recent photo.

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## Know your shelter options

### Pet-friendly shelters:

Not all emergency shelters accept pets. Identify local pet-friendly shelters in advance at [StLucieCo.gov](http://StLucieCo.gov).

### Hotels:

Research pet-friendly hotels along your evacuation route. Visit [petswelcome.com](http://petswelcome.com) to find a pet-friendly hotel/motel.

### Friends & family:

Ask if you can shelter with someone who welcomes pets.

