

PREPARE YOUR HORSES FOR EMERGENCIES

Livestock owners have a responsibility to make sure their animals are prepared for emergencies.

Move your horses early

A late evacuation could increase the chance of injury or death, particularly if the horse is hard to catch or load.

- Check local arrangements for relocation of horses.
- Coordinate relocation of horses with neighbours, friends or livestock associations as early as possible.

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Leaving horses in an emergency

- Leave horses in solid coded structures.
- Check your fences are secure.
- Fill water troughs.
- Leave horses together if possible.
- Tie down or store loose objects.
- Paint your name and phone number on horses' coat or hooves.
- Fit bell boots on horses.

Have a plan, don't wait until it is too late!

Prepare an emergency kit for your horses, including:



equine first aid items



lead ropes and halters



feed buckets



food and water for at least five days



torch, portable radio, fresh batteries, wire cutters or pliers



