# **Emergency Kit for Home or Vehicle**

# Consider gathering the following supplies to prepare for winter storms:

- Water for drinking/washing
- Food: Canned food, granola bars, jerky, or trail mix make good emergency rations.
- Hand warmers
- Flashlight + extra batteries
- Candles (use with caution)
- First aid kit
- Cell phone charger
- Spare hat/gloves
- Blanket or sleeping bag
- Jumper cables
- Ice scraper and snow brush
- Variety of tools
- Shovel
- Diesel anti-gel treatment (if needed)

### Resources

#### **UW COUNTY EXTENSION**

The University of Wyoming has an office in every county staffed by folks ready to help answer your questions!

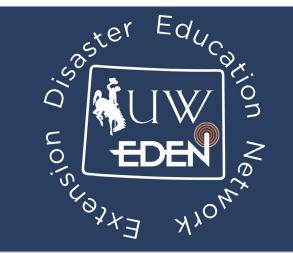
### USDA | FSA | NRCS

Check eligibility for emergency financial assistance with your local office.

#### **COMMUNITY**

Don't underestimate the value of your relationships with friends, neighbors, and community members. In tough times, these are some of the most important resources.

Be a good neighbor!





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## **WINTER STORM**

Disaster Readiness
Checklist

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

- Benjamin Franklin

## **Plan Ahead**

Planning for winter storms can be as simple as thinking through a few "what if" scenarios.

### **BUILDINGS / STRUCTURES**

Are there multiple ways to access buildings in case of heavy drifting?Can snow or rain get in through broken windows, sky lights, or siding?

Are windbreaks in functional condition?Do buildings have a reliable and safe power source? Heating?



### **VETERINARY**

Are the basic medicines on hand? Will veterinary supplies and equipment be adequate? Is there an area prepared to quarantine animals if needed?

### **ANIMALS**

Record number, type, and health status of all animals. Are animals prepared for winter cold stress? Will animals be able to access feeders or feed grounds in heavy snow? Do animals have access to sufficient shelter to withstand cold temperatures, wind, and drifting snow?



### **FEED & WATER RESOURCES**

Will feed stockpiles be easily accessible
if a storm hits? Are feed stocks
protected from winter storms?
Is there sufficient supply for all animals
for weeks or months of storm impacts?
Is there a ready source of water available
to the animals? Are water hoses drained?

### **MACHINERY**

Are tractors, trucks, and other machines winterized? Is snow removal equipment ready to use? Is feeding equipment in operating condition? Are there spare parts on hand in case of a break-down? Is there fuel accessible for equipment and vehicles?

It is a good practice to keep fuel tanks above 1/2 full during the winter.



### PERSONAL PREPARATION

Is there sufficient fuel on hand to heat buildings for several weeks or months? Is there a backup power supply in the case of an outage? Does winter clothing need to be repaired or replaced?