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Understanding Evacuation Orders

Imminent Occurring In Crystal Lakes Flood Event Seek higher ground immediately if you are in a flood plain There is no time to gather personal belongings Crystal Lakes Warning Sirens Immediate Occurring in/near Crystal Lakes Fire Protection District Wildfire Evacuation Gather people and pets Leave immediately There is no time to gather personal belongings **Crystal Lakes Warning Sirens** Mandatory Larimer County/Crystal Lakes Wildfire Evacuation Gather people and pets Leave quickly Limited time to gather personal belongings Voluntary Larimer County/Crystal Lakes Wildfire Evacuation Leave if you need additional time, have health concerns, or feel unsafe Move pets/livestock out of area Move recreational vehicles out of area

Prepare for Mandatory Evacuation

Self-Evacuation

Any time you feel unsafe

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When to Evacuate

As soon as you receive notification

- Crystal Lakes Warning Sirens
- NOCO/LETA/Reverse 911
- Sheriff's Department
- Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department

What to do in a Wildfire Evacuation

Immediate Evacuation

- □ Stay calm
- □ Gather people and pets
- □ There is no time to gather personal belongings
- □ Leave immediately
- □ Follow your evacuation plan

Mandatory Evacuation

- □ Stay calm
- □ Gather people and pets
- □ Prepare people: dress in pants, long-sleeved shirts (cotton/wool) & closed-toed shoes
- Prepare vehicle: back into garage, roll up windows, turn off vent/AC & leave keys in ignition
- \Box Grab water for people and pets
- Grab Car Emergency Kit (water, paper towels, first aid kit, flashlight, bandanas, hats, safety glasses)
- □ Load Family GO-BOX
- □ Load Pet/Livestock GO-BOX
- □ If you have time, grab other important items: prescriptions, phone, purse/wallet, computer, photos
- \Box Leave quickly
- □ Follow your evacuation plan

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What to do in a Wildfire Evacuation (cont.)

Voluntary Evacuation

- □ Stay calm
- □ Prepare people and pets/livestock
- □ Locate Family Go-Box
- □ Locate Pet/Livestock Go-Box
- Locate Car Emergency Kit (water, paper towels, first aid kit, flashlight, bandanas, hats, safety glasses)
- Gather important items such as: phone, purse/wallet, computer, photos, precious mementos, pillows, blankets, change of clothes
- Consider taking perishable and frozen foods (power may be off for extended amount of time)
- □ Move all flammable objects away from structures or put inside (mats, brooms, outdoor cushions, etc.)
- □ Move patio furniture away from house or inside & out of the way of firefighters
- □ Move firewood off decks and away from structures
- □ Move small propane bottles away from structures, flammable areas & driveways
- □ Turn off propane tank
- □ Attach and "charge" hoses to outside faucets (leave spigot turned on, but hose nozzle turned off)
- □ Lean a metal ladder against the house
- $\hfill\square$ Clear roofs and gutters of debris
- □ Remove anything flammable from underneath decks
- □ Close all windows and doors
- □ Close all exterior vents
- □ Leave lights on
- □ Turn off all fans & AC units
- □ Close all heavy window coverings, remove any light window coverings
- □ Move pets/livestock out of the area
- □ Move recreational vehicles out of the area
- □ If leaving a vehicle: roll-up windows, park on non-flammable material & out of the way of firefighters
- □ Wrap a white towel around an outside doorknob to indicate all people have evacuated
- □ Follow your evacuation plan



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Preparing for Evacuations

- □ Create an evacuation plan with your family
 - Practice evacuation procedures
 - · Practice individual roles, especially if you have children
 - · Drive evacuation routes, know 2-Ways-Out
 - · Compile a list of emergency numbers, post on refrigerator & program them into all cell phones
 - · Identify safety zones & family meeting places
 - · Plan with children on what to do if parents are not home during an evacuation
- □ Meet with neighbors
 - · Discuss plans for children/pets if parents are not home during an evacuation
- □ Prepare Car Emergency Kits
- □ Create a Family GO-BOX
- □ Create a Pet/Livestock GO-BOX
- □ Update videos/photos of home & property (insurance purposes)
- □ Prepare your property
 - Create a Firewise[®] Home & Landscape

Family Evacuation GO-BOX

- □ Important documents: birth certificates, passports, deeds, wills, financial statements, insurance papers, etc
- □ Small supply of prescriptions, spare eyeglasses, hearing aids, etc.
- □ First Aid Kit
- □ Cash, checkbook, spare credit card
- □ Phone charger
- □ Face masks (can be helpful if fleeing a fire)
- □ Toiletries, hand sanitizer
- $\hfill\square$ Water bottles and granola bars
- □ Whistle (can be used to call for help)
- Baby: diapers, wipes, bottles, formula
- □ Pets: leashes, bowls, food, veterinary records
- List of additional items you want to gather in the event you receive an evacuation notice
- □ Tape a list of what is in your GO-BOX on top

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Pets/Livestock

Be Prepared

- □ Make sure your pets/livestock have current identification (tags & microchips)
- □ Practice evacuations with your pets/livestock
- □ Create a Pets/Livestock GO-BOX

Evacuation

- □ Take your pets/livestock with you
- □ Leave early with pets/livestock, do not wait for evacuation orders
- □ Keep pets on leashes or in crates (labeled with animal name and contact information)
- □ Take records, medications, food and water to last at least 3 days
- □ Grab your Pets/Livestock GO-BOX

Pets/Livestock GO-BOX

- □ Proof of ownership (registration and/or adoption papers)
- $\hfill\square$ Recent photos of you and your pet
- □ Copy of veterinary records (including vaccinations)
- □ Emergency contact list
- □ Medications
- □ Care instructions
 - medical needs
 - special diet/allergies
 - feeding instructions
 - behavior issues
- □ Food for at least 3 days
 - · bowls, spoons
 - manual can opener
- $\hfill\square$ Water in gallon jugs for at least 3 days
- □ Sanitary needs
 - cat litter/pan/scoop/baggies
 - dog baggies

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Pets/Livestock GO-BOX (cont.)

- □ Cleaning supplies
 - paper towels
 - · alcohol-based hand sanitizer
 - disinfectant
 - trash-bags
- □ Familiar Items
 - toys
 - treats
 - blankets
- Pet First Aid Kit
- □ Spare collars, leashes, harnesses, muzzles
- □ List of animal resources/animal emergency contact information
 - · friends/family
 - pet friendly hotels
 - veterinarians
 - boarding facilities
 - animal shelters
 - · people with trucks/trailers/pastures/feed

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Stay Informed

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Information During an Emergency

NOCO	www.nocoalert.org
LETA/Reverse 911	www.leta911.org
Larimer County Sheriff's Office	www.larimer.gov/emergency
Faceb	ook @LarimerSheriff
Twitter	@LarimerSheriff
Larimer OEM	
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Important Contacts

Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department Emergency 911 Non-Emergency 970-881-3521 <u>www.clvfd.org</u>