

Marengo County E-911: Emergency Kit Checklist

Water & Food

- At least 3 gallons of water per person (for drinking and sanitation)
- Several days' supply of non-perishable food (canned goods, protein bars, ready-to-eat meals)
- Manual can opener

First Aid & Medications

- Comprehensive first-aid kit (bandages, antiseptic wipes, scissors, tweezers)
- Over-the-counter pain relievers and other basic medications
- Prescription medications (minimum several days' supply)
- Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses

Important Documents & Cash

- Copies of identification, insurance policies, and medical records
- Stored in a waterproof container
- Cash in small bills (in case ATMs or card systems are unavailable)

Light & Communication

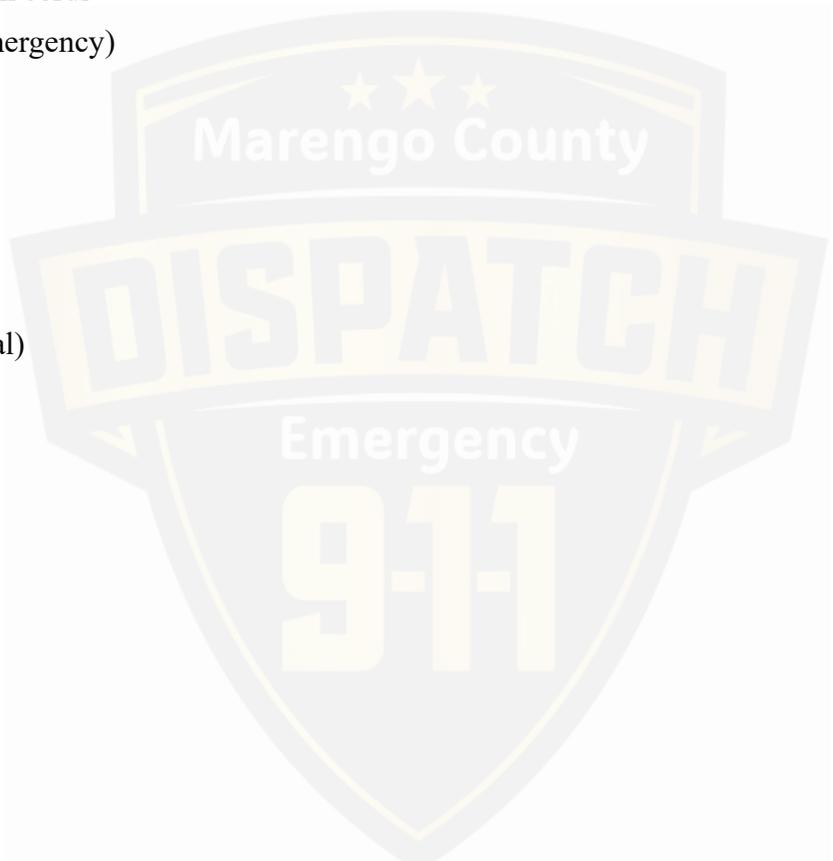
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
- Battery-powered phone charger with cords
- Whistle (for signaling in case of emergency)

Clothing & Bedding

- Weather-appropriate clothing
- Sturdy shoes or boots
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Hats, gloves, and rain gear (seasonal)

Personal Hygiene

- Soap, hand sanitizer
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Toilet paper
- Feminine hygiene products



Tools & Supplies

- Multi-tool or Swiss army knife
- Duct tape
- Matches or lighter (stored in waterproof container)
- Garbage bags

Special Considerations

- Infants: Diapers, formula, baby food, bottles
- Elderly or disabled family members: Special medications or equipment
- Pets: Food, water, medications, leashes, and carriers
- Children: Toys, books, games for comfort and distraction

For Deaf or Hard of Hearing Individuals

- Pen and paper for communication
- Hearing aids with extra batteries
- Contact info for interpreting services
- Whistle or air horn

Vehicle Kit

- Water, non-perishable snacks
- Flashlight, blankets, first-aid supplies
- Basic tools and jumper cables

Home & Work Kit

- Store a full emergency kit at home, work, and car
- Keep kits in an easily accessible, clearly labeled location
- Consider “grab-and-go” bags for work or home evacuation

Tip: Check and update your emergency kit regularly. Replace expired food and medications, update documents, and adjust supplies as your family needs change.

