

What to do when an Evacuation ALERT is issued



Helpful tips to prepare your household during an emergency event.

Evacuation Alert: This is the time to **get prepared** to leave your home on short notice. Get your grab-and-go bag, a small emergency kit that is easy to take with you, in case you need to leave right away. You should include clothing, toiletries, eyeglasses, government ID and medications, your emergency plan, copies of important documents, such as insurance.

- Locate all family members and designate a meeting area in a place outside of the evacuation alert and order zones, in case an Evacuation Order is issued while separated.
- Prepare to move persons with mobility concerns, children and/or neighbours, if assistance is needed.
- If you identify as having extraordinary needs, call the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC): 250-490-4225
- Prepare to take pets with you and if possible, move livestock to a safe area.
- Pet owners and hobby farmers with concerns for their animals can call the Animal Lifeline Emergency Response Team (ALERT): 250-809-7152 or email info@alertcanada.org
- Farmers requiring assistance can contact the EOC: 250-490-4225
- Store any Firearms in accordance with Section 118 of the [Firearms Act](#).
- Arrange accommodation for all members of the residence, if possible.
- You are not required to leave until an **Evacuation Order** has been issued.
- Follow the RDOS for the latest updates on Evacuation Alerts, Orders, and Rescinds: www.rdos.bc.ca | emergency.rdos.bc.ca | [Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | Local News Sources
- Sign up for [Voyent Alert!](#) to receive emergency notifications via text, email, phone.

Emergency Plans should include:

- Designating a safe meeting space outside of alert zone
- Emergency contacts
- Preparing your pets to leave home on short notice
- Considerations for those with mobility concerns

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