

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN EVACUATION ALERT

What you should do when an evacuation alert is in effect:

- Locate all family members or co-workers and designate a safe meeting place in the event that an evacuation order is called.
- Gather essential items such as medication, eyeglasses, valuable papers (i.e. insurance), immediate care needs for dependents and, if you choose, keepsakes (photos, etc.)
- Have these items readily available for a quick departure.
- Consider moving any disabled persons and/or children to a safe area.
- Move pets and livestock to a safe area.
- Arrange to transport household members or co-workers in the event of an evacuation order.
- Arrange accommodation for your family, if possible.
- In the event of an evacuation, emergency accommodation will be provided if required.
- Monitor media (SCRD Facebook, Twitter, www.scrd.ca and 91.7 FM radio) for information on location of Reception Centres and status of evacuation orders.

What you should do if you have to evacuate:

- Take an emergency survival kit with you.
- Take prescription medication and identification for the entire family.
- Listen to the radio and follow instructions from local emergency officials.
- If you are instructed to do so, shut off water, gas and electricity. Lock your home.
- Make arrangements for your pets.
- Wear clothes and shoes appropriate for the conditions.
- Follow the routes specified by emergency officials.
- Don't take shortcuts. A shortcut could take you to a blocked or dangerous area.
- If you have time, leave a note telling others when you left and where you went.
- If you have a mailbox, you can leave the note there.
- If you are evacuated, you will be asked to register with the local ESS emergency reception centre (to be determined at time of evacuation order.)

