

# Wildfire poster - key reminders



## Wildfire readiness on your farm

You can take actions to reduce your risk and damages. Start with what you can control:



### Protect Yourself

- Create and keep a safety plan. Your farm plan should include things like an evacuation and emergency plan and having an emergency supply kit or go-bag on hand.
- Have emergency contact information readily available.
- Sign up for weather alerts and emergency notifications.
- Understand your insurance coverage.



### Protect Your Land

- Create and maintain fire guards around pastures.
- Create noncombustible areas around spaces where equipment, fuel and hay are stored.
- Check your water supply and add a supply if needed, such as an irrigation ditch or pond.
- Contact your local USDA Farm Service Agency office and register your operation.



### Protect Your Animals

- Identify your animals and ensure proper registration or branding of livestock.
- Keep a copy of your animal ID information in your emergency kit.
- Create an evacuation plan for all animals and create an area where you can move them if necessary.
- Hook up your stock trailer, check tires and fuel to be ready for an evacuation.
- Identify neighbors, family, or friends that can help move your animals if you don't have access to a trailer.



### Protect Your Structures

- Install and maintain smoke detectors.
- Keep barns and other structures free of trash and combustible material.
- Place fire extinguishers in all structures and equipment and check them regularly.
- Use approved fire doors on buildings.
- Keep above-ground fuel storage tanks a minimum of 40 feet from buildings.



Work with fire professionals to evaluate fire risk on your property and provide recommendations



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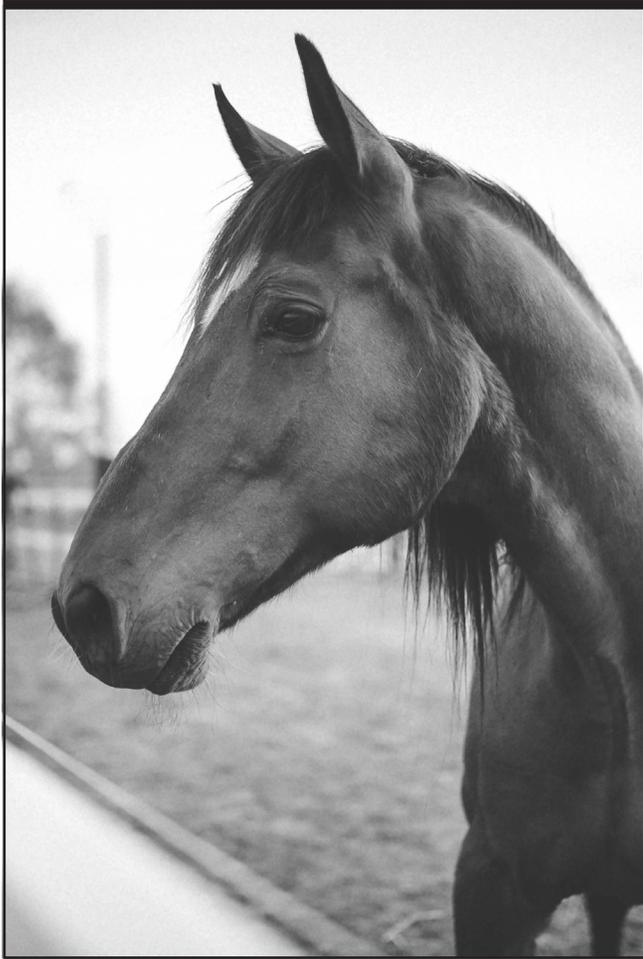
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# Large Animal Emergency Preparedness Kit

Barn fires are one of the most common emergency situations faced by equine and livestock owners. Prevention is key—store vehicles, tractors, and flammable materials outside; regularly inspect electrical wires for damage; and make sure hay is dry before storing it in the barn. In case of a barn fire, immediately call 911 and get animals out of the structure, if it is safe for you to do so.

Other disasters, such as earthquakes, floods or wildfires, can happen at any time. Be prepared to shelter in place, or evacuate, if possible.

**Pack supplies that will last at least 72 hours. Food, water and medication for two weeks is highly recommended.**

- Copy of medical records, including proof of vaccinations
- Authorization for medical treatment in your absence
- Proof of ownership
- Ensure animals have ID such as microchip, tattoo, halter tag, collar, leg band, ear tag or notch, brand
- Important contact information—veterinarian, emergency contact, boarding facility, alternate shelter
- Feed
- Water—consider alternative ways to get water, as supplies may be contaminated
- Medications and supplements—rotate frequently
- Halters and leads
- Blankets
- Flashlights, radio, batteries
- Duct tape
- Heavy gloves
- Knife—sharp, all-purpose
- Wire cutters
- Fly spray
- Hoof care tools
- Shovel
- Trash bags, paper towels, buckets
- First aid supplies—consult with your veterinarian about what supplies are most appropriate for you to have for your animals

**Don't hope. Plan.**

For more disaster preparedness tips, visit [oregonvma.org](http://oregonvma.org).

