

# Grab the Six P's

Know what is most important to you and your family and be ready to quickly grab the Six P's:



**People** and  
Pets



**Papers**, phone  
numbers and  
documents



**Prescriptions**,  
glasses, medical  
necessities



**Pictures** and  
irreplaceable  
memorabilia



**Personal**: phones,  
chargers, USBs,  
computers



**Plastic** (credit  
cards, ATM cards  
and cash)



Keep your vehicle  
fuel tank at least half  
full.



Know alternative  
ways out of your  
neighborhood.



Roads may become  
congested which can  
slow an evacuation.



For current fire  
behavior  
information call:  
907-761-6305



For more  
information, visit  
social media and  
<https://www.matsugov.us/>



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# FIRE EVACUATION GUIDE



**READY**



**SET**



**GO**



# READY

Level 1 means BE READY for potential evacuation.

- Create at least 100 feet of defensible space around your home ([www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org)).
- Prepare an Alaska 7-day emergency kit: <http://ready.alaska.gov/>
- Register family members with access and functional needs at: <https://www.matsugov.us/programs/afn-database>
- Prepare for family member(s) with mobile property (boats, trailers and ATVs) and pets or livestock.
- Monitor social media, news and radio for information.
- Emergency personnel may contact you via an emergency notification system.
- Text your zip code to 888777 to enroll in NIXLE alerts (<http://www.nixle.com/>)
- Designate an “out of area contact” who can relay information.
- Make a list of your 6 “P’s”: People & Pets, Pills, Photos, Personal, Papers and Plastic.
- Know the evacuation plans for family members in assisted living and childcare facilities.
- Plan how to transport your pets, sled dogs and livestock.
- Make sure your address is visible from the street.



# SET

Level 2 means BE SET (ready) to evacuate. Be prepared to leave at a moment’s notice!

- Level 2 signifies that significant danger exists in your area. Have your 7-day kit and emergency provisions packed and ready.
- Maintain situational awareness by monitoring weather reports and news from your local media outlets.
- You MAY have time to gather necessary items, however, REMEMBER you must be prepared and ready to relocate.
- Do you have PROPANE TANKS? If so, get them out of or away from your home or garage.
- At Level 2, this may be the ONLY advance notice you receive before getting ready to EVACUATE.
- Remember the 6 P’s: People & Pets, Pills, Photos, Personal, Papers and Plastic.
- Make sure your car is fueled and ready to go.
- Pack a week’s worth of clothing and two pairs of shoes.
- Continue to monitor social media, news and radio for information.



# GO!

Level 3 means GO, evacuate NOW. Leave immediately!

- The danger in your area is current and you should evacuate immediately. Get your evacuation kit and “P’s” and GO.
- Drive calmly and pay special attention to emergency vehicles.
- Do not block access to roadways for emergency vehicles or other evacuees.
- THIS WILL BE THE LAST NOTICE YOU WILL RECEIVE AFTER EVACUATION.
- Check in at an emergency collections point for directions to the appropriate shelter.
- Once directed check in at an emergency shelter. Whether you stay or not, “checking in” will help others know that you are safe.
- Take pets to a designated Pet Evacuation Center.
- Do NOT call 9-1-1 for “non-emergencies.”
- Do not attempt to re-enter the fire area until it is declared safe to do so.
- Remember that text messages will often go through when voice calls will not.