



**PEMCO's Seven Ways to Prepare for a Natural Disaster:**

1. Find out the [most likely natural hazards](#) in your area and how to prepare for them.
2. Learn [what's covered](#) by your insurance policy.
3. Sign up for early alerts.
  - a. Download an app for real-time weather alerts and help in locating shelters during an emergency.
  - a. Check with your local emergency management office to find out how to receive timely alerts and notifications for your area.
4. Learn life-saving skills like CPR and [how to use a fire extinguisher](#).
5. Build a "bug-in" or "bug-out" kit in case you need to ride out a storm at home or evacuate quickly.
  - a. Take a look at [PEMCO's list](#) of what to put in each type of emergency kit.
  - b. [Locate and safeguard important documents](#), and make sure [computer files](#) are backed up.
  - c. Place [emergency kits](#) in your home and car.
6. Create and practice an [evacuation plan](#) for your family [and your pets](#).
7. Create a [home inventory](#), which will make it easier if you do need to [file a claim](#). This will also help ensure that you have purchased enough insurance to replace your personal possessions.