



AMEREN ILLINOIS EMERGENCY KITS AND HOME PREPAREDNESS

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- It's critical that you are prepared before a storm hits. Ameren Illinois recommends proactively assembling an emergency kit stocked with essential items and supplies.
- Consider including the following items in your emergency kit:
 - Water bottles
 - Non-perishable food items
 - First-aid kit
 - Medicines
 - Sleeping bag/blanket
 - Flashlights/lanterns
 - Cash (small bills and change)
 - Batteries
 - Battery-powered radio
 - Battery-powered alarm clock
 - Ice cooler for temporary food or medication storage
 - List of emergency contacts
 - Copies of essential documents
- In addition to keeping the emergency kit organized, it's a good idea to store the kit in a handy place known to everyone in the household.
- Emergency kits should also be checked at least every six months. A good habit is to restock and refresh the contents when adjusting the time on clocks and replacing batteries in smoke detectors for Daylight Savings.
- Other home preparedness tips:
 - Fill the gas tank in your vehicle
 - Prepare your home generator by filling it with gas and purchasing additional gas
 - Charging your cellphone and other important electronic devices
 - Turn down the temperature on your refrigerator to keep it as cool as possible
 - Ensure the refrigerator and freezer are closed, as frozen food can keep up to 48 hours
 - Turn off or unplug sensitive electronic devices, or make sure they are protected by a surge protector