

# SHELTER- IN-PLACE HAZMAT

## What you need to know:

### ◆ Shelter-in-Place

Seeking safety within the building you are in, rather than risk evacuating the area, or seeking emergency shelter.

### ◆ HAZMAT

A Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) incident can release airborne contaminants that pose immediate danger to the public. Potential hazards include airborne chemical materials, biological agents or radioactive particles in solid, liquid, or gas form, which you may not even be able to see or smell.

You may be directed to Shelter-in-Place due to the immediate danger posed by a HAZMAT incident. Be prepared and keep Shelter-in-Place supplies ready for use, should a need ever arise.

Shelter-in-Place will minimize contaminated air from entering your home, business, school or other location. A HAZMAT incident may last for a prolonged period of time. Be prepared and await further instructions until the danger has passed.

## SEEKING SAFETY

### BE PREPARED






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## What you need to do:

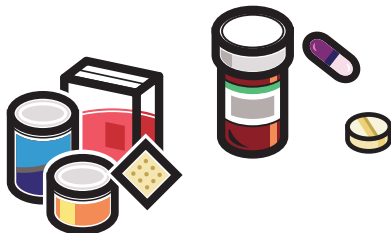
- ◆ Turn off heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) systems.
- ◆ Close and lock windows and doors.
- ◆ Seal gaps under doorways and windows with wet towels and duct tape.
- ◆ Seal gaps around window and air conditioning units, bathroom and kitchen exhaust fans, and stove and dryer vents. You can use duct tape and plastic sheeting, wax paper or aluminum wrap.
- ◆ Close fireplace dampers should your home or work place have one.
- ◆ Stay in the safest location possible and close off non-essential rooms.
- ◆ Choose an interior area that has few or no windows, can be easily sealed, and includes access to a telephone, water and toilet, such as a large bathroom.
- ◆ Use **HNL.info** to stay informed about emergencies, weather advisories, traffic bulletins, and much more via SMS or Email.

# PLAN AND PREPARE NOW FOR THE NEXT DISASTER

**Make Your 14-Day Disaster Supply Kit (minimum of 14 days for each person)**

- Water** One gallon of water per person per day for drinking and sanitation.
- Food** Non-perishable food that does not require cooking. Survival foods such as peanut butter, protein shakes, dried fruits, & nuts. Infant Formula & food for special needs.
- Utensils** Plates, utensils and a manual can opener.
- Radio** Battery-powered or hand crank radio with NOAA Weather alert.
- Flashlight** with extra batteries.
- Cell phone** and solar charger.
- Whistle** Important for signaling for help. A whistle carries much farther than the human voice and uses less energy than yelling.

- Dust mask**  
Helps to filter contaminated air.



## LEARN

Educate yourself on disasters that can affect you and your family.

## PLAN

Create and practice a family disaster plan. Designate a secondary meeting place and an off-island contact.

### Individual, Family and Business Disaster Planning

Disaster planning is everyone's responsibility. Carefully review this information and take the time today to discuss & plan preparedness strategies with family, friends, neighbors and co workers.



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- Sanitation** Moist towelettes, heavy-duty garbage bags with ties, hand sanitizer, toilet paper, baking soda/kitty litter to absorb odors, and gloves for personal sanitation.
- Tools** Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities, basic tool kit, duct tape.
- Important documents and cash** Carry vital papers in a waterproof container.
- Maps** Local area maps.
- Medical** Prescription medications, glasses/contact lenses, medical devices, and a first aid kit.
- Pets** Pet food and extra water.
- Hygiene** Feminine products, personal hygiene items, diapers, incontinence supplies.
- Pictures** Carry a photograph of you, your family & friends to help locate each other if you are separated.
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