

Specific Disasters That Might Affect You!

If you are going to prepare for natural or man-made disasters, which specific disasters might affect you?

Obviously you don't worry about tidal waves in Colorado or blizzards in the Bahamas. They just don't apply at those locations. Look at the chart and check (✓) which specific disasters MIGHT occur NEAR ENOUGH to affect your location.

If such a disaster happened, what would you do? Your choices are: Stay Put OR Bug Out. Put a check mark (✓) in the column of your choice. Then estimate HOW LONG you think the disaster would last. Add other comments as needed.

	Does Not Apply Here				How long	Does Not Apply Here			
	Stay Put	Bug Out				Stay Put	Bug Out		
Heat wave					Famine				
Windstorm					Recession				
Hailstorm					Depression				
Sandstorm					Economy crash				
Lightning strikes					Chemical spill				
Tornado					Gas pipeline leak				
Hurricane					Dam rupture				
High tide					Poisoned water supply				
Tidal wave/tsunami					Epidemics/pandemics				
Flood					Terrorist attack				
Mudslide					Civil disorder				
Avalanche					Civil war				
Earthquake					Foreign invasion				
Wildfire					International war				
Forest fire					Conventional weapons				
Volcanic eruption					Chemical/biological warfare				
Long freeze					Tactical nuclear attacks				
Ice storm					Strategic nuclear attack				
Blizzard					Electromagnetic Pulse				
Power outage					World War III				
Blackout					Mutually Assured Destruction				
Water outage					<i>Mother-in-law moves in</i>				
House fire					Other _____				

In Arizona, I checked "Stay Put" for 3 days for tornadoes, windstorms, sandstorms, chemical spills, and water outages. Heat waves are just a normal summer. I checked "Bug Out" for house fires, and depending on wind direction, nuclear attacks. I'm told there's no earthquake potential. How long? During an epidemic, I'd stay isolated for 3 months. Point is - consider the chart carefully. It gives you guidelines on specifically what you're preparing to survive.

Now go read the Tip: "Disaster Preparedness List!".