

Shelter in Place – An overview

Some situations will require you to remain in your home during an emergency, usually involving hazardous materials. This is called "Shelter-in-Place." Here are the steps to follow if you are directed to Shelter-in-Place:

- Go inside immediately.
- Close and lock all windows and doors.
- Turn off any heating or cooling systems and close fireplace dampers.
- Go into and seal a room. (Choose one room, preferably an interior room or bathroom. Seal the entrance, place duct tape around the windows & stuffing wet towels under the doors.)
- Listen to a radio or TV. Wait for the all clear.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a wet cloth if necessary.

Sealing a Window



Sealing a Door Frame



Sealing an Air Vent



Make sure your Shelter in Place emergency kit includes

- two rolls of duct tape
- scissors
- towels
- drinking water
- toilet supplies and any necessary medications
- a portable, battery operated radio
- a flashlight
- extra batteries and, once again,
- Snack food
- phone