

# Earthquake Preparation Checklist

## #1 - SECURE THINGS THAT MAY BREAK OR FALL

- Water heater
- Fridge / Standalone Freezer
- Washer
- Dryer
- Any other large appliances
- Microwave(s)
- TV(s)
- Computer screens
- Other valuable electronics
- Bookshelves
- TV stands
- Hutches
- Other tall or large furniture
- Items on shelves
- Wall art / mirrors
- Latch cupboards
- Apply window film

## #2 - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- Move flammable items outside to a well ventilated area
- Move poisonous or dangerous supplies / cleaners to bottom shelf of a latched cabinet
- Consider storing items in glass in plastic instead

## #3 – CREATE A PLAN

- Choose a family meeting spot
- Choose an out of town contact
- Identify safe spots at school, work and home
- Consider earthquake insurance

## #4 – GET ESSENTIAL SKILLS

- Make sure everyone can call 911
- Learn important first aid skills

## #5 – PRACTICE (multiple times)

- What to do indoors
- What to do outdoors
- How to get home

## #6 – STORE SUPPLIES

- Shoes / glasses / flashlight near beds
- First Aid Kit
- Extra food / water
- Essential Medicine
- Important documents
- NOAA Radio / app
- A way to charge your phone
- ABC Fire extinguishers
- Light sources
- A way to cook without power
- Extra gasoline
- Tent
- Quality sleeping bags

## #7 – RETROFIT YOUR HOME

- Garage fastened to the foundation
- No cracks in foundation
- Flexible fitting on gas / water pipes
- Chimney or fireplace removed or secured
- Overhead lighting fixtures attached to joists

