



Augason Farms Emergency Preparedness Tips

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Water Storage

You need to plan to store one gallon of water per day per person. How much water you store is up to you, but keep in mind that clean drinking water is the single most important item for you to have in an emergency. Whether you store enough for a day, a month, or a year is up to you.

Augason Farms™ offers water storage containers that are ideal for long-term storage.

Heavy-duty, thick, polyethylene food grade plastic barrels are essential. If you use lesser quality you run the risk of leaks and contamination. The barrels are blue, which indicates they are food grade plastic, and come in sizes that range from 5 to 55 gallons. It is recommended to store these barrels in a dark and cool area, such as a basement or food storage room. Storing your barrel in the open could have an effect on the life of the barrel, and may subject the water to freezing. It is not recommended to store any water container in direct or indirect sunlight. Barrels should be placed on a non-porous surface between the cement floor and the barrel, such as wood.

If you must store a water barrel outside, cover it as much as possible to prevent exposure to light and help insulate it. When water freezes it expands, so do not fill the barrel all the way in the winter. If there is not enough room at the top of your barrel, it can cause your barrel to become disfigured or may even crack.

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