Sample household emergency plan

Family with five children

Seven people | Detached house with a protected room (Mamad) | Preparing for Shabbat and holidays

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All personal details are fictional and for illustration only.

Household members and roles

Name	Role	Daytime location
Chaya	Adult	Home / work
Yaakov	Adult	Home / work
Devorah	Child, 16	School
Shneur	Child, 14	Yeshiva
Levi	Child, 9	Talmud Torah school
Sarah	Child, 3	Kindergarten
Shmuel	Child, 1	Home

Adult responsibilities

Responsibility	Assigned to
Check official instructions	Chaya
Contact household members	Yaakov
Contact children’s schools or care settings	Chaya
Keep documents and contact list	Yaakov
Check supplies	Chaya
Prepare the evacuation bag	Yaakov
Open the protected space if needed	Chaya

Children’s roles

Child	Responsibility	Contact card
Devorah	Go to the selected protected space	Yes
Shneur	Go to the selected protected space	Yes
Levi	Go to the selected protected space	Yes
Sarah	—	No
Shmuel	—	No

Selected adaptations

Children under eight; children aged eight and above

Adaptation plans

Before Shabbat and holidays, check the route to the Mamad, supplies and a functioning alert method. Check shelter arrangements at the synagogue and children’s settings in advance; do not leave to collect children during an alert.

What we learned in our discussion

Yaakov accompanies Sarah and Chaya accompanies Shmuel. Older children take shelter independently and do not go back to look for others. Parents coordinate responsibilities when apart.

Protection

Protected space: Mamad on the entrance level, accessed via the hallway.

Check findings: The stroller was moved out of the route; the door and window were checked. Suitability for seven people and the sheltering time have not yet been checked.

During an alert, follow Home Front Command instructions for your location. Do not delay taking shelter to collect supplies or reunite household members.

Communication and regular settings

Role	Name	Agreed
Primary contact	Israel – uncle	Not yet
Backup contact	Rivka – neighbour	Not yet

Agreed “I am safe” message: I am in a safe place and I am OK. I will update you when I can.

If contact is lost: stay somewhere safe, do not automatically leave to look for family members, try to relay a message via the contact person, and travel to a meeting point only when safe and permitted. Try again after 30 minutes.

When household members are in different places

Everyone takes shelter where they are. When safe and permitted, they update one another via the contacts.

Emergency procedures in regular settings: not yet verified.

Meeting points

Type	Location
Nearby	Courtyard gate, only when safe and permitted to leave
Alternative	Uncle Israel’s home

Children’s schools and care settings

Child	Setting	Procedure checked	Authorised pickup
Devorah	School	Not yet	Chaya / Yaakov
Shneur	Yeshiva	Not yet	Chaya / Yaakov
Levi	Talmud Torah school	Not yet	Chaya / Yaakov
Sarah	Kindergarten	Not yet	Chaya / Yaakov
Shmuel	Home	Not yet	Chaya / Yaakov

Check with household members

The older children know where the Mamad is. Practise sharing responsibilities when the parents are apart.

Supplies and evacuation

Checked, accessible and working: flashlight; phones.

Stock calculation

Water: 63 litres required; 3 litres still needed.

Important gaps

Action	Assigned to	Due
Add 3 litres of water and one more day of infant food	Chaya	29 Nov 2026
Replenish family food and check batteries and power bank	Yaakov	29 Nov 2026

What we found when checking supplies

60 litres of water; family food and infant food need replenishing. Radio reception and spare batteries have not yet been checked.

Destination and transport

Possible destination: Uncle Israel’s home; availability and address not yet confirmed

Transport: Not yet decided

Evacuation responsibilities

Item	Assigned to	Location
Contact list	Chaya	Accessible evacuation bag; keep passage clear
Copies of selected documents	Yaakov	Accessible evacuation bag; keep passage clear
Flashlight	Chaya	Accessible evacuation bag; keep passage clear
Power bank	Yaakov	Accessible evacuation bag; keep passage clear
Bottled water	Chaya	Accessible evacuation bag; keep passage clear

Evacuation check findings

What worked: a place was assigned for the evacuation bag.

What needs to change: agree on the destination and route before they are needed.

Support network and practice

Name	Type of help	Agreed
Israel – uncle	Communication and coordination	Not yet
Rivka – neighbour	Check-in / assistance after the event	Not yet

Practice and review

The route and Mamad door were checked. Practice involving all seven household members remains outstanding.

Outstanding tasks

Task	Assigned to	Due
Add 3 litres of water and one more day of infant food	Chaya	29 Nov 2026
Replenish family food and check batteries and power bank	Yaakov	29 Nov 2026
Verify sheltering time and access routes to the Mamad	Chaya	3 Dec 2026
Check a functioning alert method before Shabbat	Yaakov	3 Dec 2026
Check communication and shelter procedures at schools and synagogue	Chaya	3 Dec 2026
Practise all seven household members entering the Mamad	Yaakov	3 Dec 2026
Arrange destination and assistance with Uncle Israel	Chaya	3 Dec 2026

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