



Readiness for renters.

No garage, no solar, no drilling into walls, and you might move next year. Here is what still works.

1 Renters insurance, this week



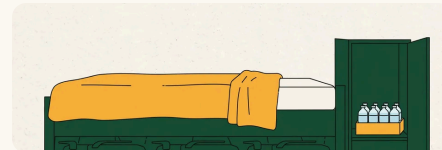
- Covers your stuff and a hotel if you cannot live there
- Ask about coverage for evacuation orders
- Usually the cost of two coffees a month

2 A kit that moves with you



- One bin, one go-bag, nothing built into the unit
- Fits in the trunk when you move
- Counts toward the next place, not lost with this one

3 Water that fits



- Under-bed containers and the jugs you already buy
- A case in the closet, a few bottles in the car
- The tub when the notice comes

4 A power station, not a generator



- Silent, no exhaust, allowed in a unit
- Runs phones, lights, a router, a CPAP overnight
- Generators are for people with a yard

5 Anchor without losing the deposit



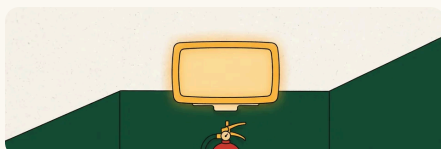
- Furniture straps into a stud leave two small screw holes
- Fill them with putty at move-out; that is normal wear
- Museum putty under the small heavy things

6 Heat without AC, deposit-safe



- Window film and blackout curtains on tension rods
- A battery fan, a spray bottle, the lowest room
- Know the nearest cooling center; libraries count

7 Know the building



- Where the unit's gas and water shutoffs are, and who may touch them
- The stairwell, both exits, the fire panel
- What floor the water pressure dies on when the power goes

8 Alarms you own



- A battery carbon monoxide alarm by the bedroom
- A fire extinguisher under the sink
- Both go with you when you move

9 The landlord conversation



- Heat, smoke alarms and locks are theirs to fix in California
- Ask in writing, keep the thread
- The county's tenant line if it goes nowhere

10 Neighbors across the hall



- Three units who have your number
- Who has a car, who has a kid, who lives alone
- A building that talks is the best alarm there is

11 Documents in the cloud



- Lease, renters policy, IDs, photos of every room
- A USB in the go-bag
- A move is the moment to update it

12 Where you go if the building is closed



- A friend, a relative, a pet-friendly hotel on the route
- Decided before the night it matters
- Written on the fridge in the kit

Insure it, keep it portable, know the building, and never bring a generator inside.

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