

# Top 12

## Emergency Water Items To Store

*When your normal water source fails*

**The following 12 items** will help you be water self-sufficient in the event you lose your home's water supply, whether it be from an earthquake, extended power outage, broken well pump, frozen/broken pipes, or contamination. Always plan for the failure to last for an extended period of time, maybe months.

- Four large containers of drinking water** with spigots. *(5 or 7 gallon each) \**
- Twenty 1-gallon jugs** of drinking water. *(Preferably glass) \**
- Six 5-gallon food grade buckets** of drinking water
- Two cases of bottled water**
- Two 55-gallon barrels** of drinking water. *(Can be purchased with pump) \**
- Two Large tarps** at least 12'X12' for catching rainwater.
- Two heavy-duty large trashcans** with lids for catching and storing rain water.
- Bleach** in four 2-quart jugs. *(Store in a warm environment, rotate every two year)*
- Eyedroppers** for measuring bleach to disinfecting water, 8 drops per gallon.  
*(Tape to bleach jugs)*
- A short hose** to attach to water heater for filling containers. *(3 to 4 feet)*
- Disposable paper plates and bowls** to conserve wash water. *(100+ each)*
- Washboard** and **large wash bucket** to conserve wash water. *(Fels Naphtha soap)*

**\* Never set non-glass water containers directly on concrete (lye properties in concrete can react).**