How to Participate

At 10:15 a.m. on October 15, 2020, millions of Californians will “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” in The Great California ShakeOut, the state’s largest earthquake drill ever! All animal shelter and service providers such as humane societies, veterinarians, kennels, and animal sanctuaries are encouraged to participate in the drill.

Here are a few suggestions for what animal shelters can do to participate in the ShakeOut. Learn more at ShakeOut.org/california/howtoparticipate.

Plan Your Drill:
• Register at ShakeOut.org/california/register to be counted as participating, get email updates, and more.
• Download a Drill Broadcast recording from ShakeOut.org/california/drill/broadcast.
• Have a “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” drill at 10:15 a.m. on October 15. You can also practice other aspects of your emergency plan.
• Discuss what you learned and make improvements.

Get Prepared for Earthquakes:
• Know areas for your animals to keep them out of harm.
• Check your facilities for items that might fall and cause injury and secure them.
• Be prepared that your employees and the animals you care for may need shelter for 2-3 days.
• Ask colleagues at other organizations to participate.
• Provide first aid and response training for staff.

Share the ShakeOut:
• Encourage employees to ask their friends, families and neighbors to register.
• Ask colleagues at other businesses to participate.
• Posters, flyers, and other promotional materials at ShakeOut.org/california/resources.
• Share photos and stories of your drill at Shakeout.org/california/share.

Everyone can participate! Individuals, families, businesses, schools, colleges, government agencies and organizations are all invited to register.