



DIGITAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

LEAVE A MAP, NOT A MYSTERY.

If you couldn't handle the household technology tomorrow, could someone you trust find what they need?



RGE TIP: Your trusted person does not need every password today — but should know where the emergency information is kept.



WHO NEEDS TO KNOW? A spouse, family member or other trusted person should know *where to start*.



1. START WITH YOUR MAIN ACCOUNT

(THE DOORWAY • Know It)



Know Your Main Account

Your primary Apple, Google, or Microsoft account.



Know Its Password

Know it, and know how you would sign in.



Keep Recovery Info Current

Make sure its recovery phone/email is current.



It's the Doorway

For many people, this account opens email, passwords, photos, cloud files, devices, purchases and account recovery.



RGE TIP: Know your Main Account. Know its password. Know how to recover it.



2. USE A PASSWORD SYSTEM

(CONVENIENCE • Digital)



Remember & Autofill

A password manager remembers passwords and fills them in.



Create Strong Passwords

It can create strong, unique passwords for you.



Sync Across Devices

Keeps passwords in sync on your phone, tablet and computer.



Restore After a Reset

Helps restore saved passwords after a device reset or replacement.



Built-In or Dedicated

Apple, Google and Microsoft include one; dedicated managers are also available.



RGE TIP: A password manager still depends on access to its Main Account or master password.



3. HAVE AN INDEPENDENT FAILSAFE

(CONTINGENCY • Analog)



Don't Rely on One Thing

Have a recovery plan that doesn't depend entirely on the same device or service.



Keep a Paper Record

For some users, a current paper password/account record is the right failsafe.



Store It Securely at Home

Keep it private, safe and easy for the right person to find.



RGE TIP: Update it immediately when an important credential changes.

4. CREATE A DIGITAL EMERGENCY MAP — your trusted person should know where to find:



Main account & recovery info



Password / account record



Important cloud files, documents & photos



Household services & essential online accounts



Who to contact for technical help

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



Protect the data. Protect access. Leave a map.



Don't document every click. Leave enough of a map for someone else to find the road.



Digital for convenience. Analog for contingency.



RGE GOLDEN RULE

The best password system isn't the fanciest one. It's the one you can still use when something goes wrong.



RGE PHILOSOPHY: Teacher first. Technician second. People always.