

**NEW HAMPSHIRE
WEST ROCKINGHAM
AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE
Basic Emergency Communication Practices**

Go Kit Gear

Personal Gear

- Clothing appropriate for the weather and conditions
- Copy of Amateur Radio license
- Driver's License
- ARES/RACES ID badge
- Other IDs
- "Who to Call" resource list
- Important phone numbers, addresses (street, email & web site)
- Eyewear - prescription glasses, sunglasses, safety
- Medication(s) - prescription & non-prescription
- Pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, erasers
- Notebook, pad, logbook, standard ARES forms
- First-aid kit, sunscreen, insect repellent
- Light - flashlight, lantern, spare bulbs & batteries
- Transistor radio or battery-operated TV with spare batteries
- Maps and compass, binoculars
- Watch, pocket knife, whistle, matches
- Tool kit, Leatherman multi-purpose tool, small shovel
- Coins for vending machine
- Markers & material for signs
- Tape - electrical, duct, boundary marking
- Portable table and chair
- Reliable transportation with a full tank of gas
- Automobile jumper cables, spare fuses, spare bulbs
- Automobile jack, tire chains, flares, gas can, siphon pump
- Drinking water, food & snacks
- Thermos, cup, bowl, utensils, matches, stove
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, razor, towel, toilet paper
- Tent, sleeping bag, backpack, tarp, space blanket
- Cooking equipment, garbage bags
- Orange vest, Rain gear, boots, gloves, hat
- Other personal comfort items
- ARRL Field Resources Manual
- ARES District Communication Plan

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Radio Gear

- Handheld radio with extra batteries (2m, multi-band...)
- Battery charger and spare battery packs for handheld radios
- Mobile radio with power cables/batteries (HF, 2m, 220, 440...)
- Repeater Directory and Emergency Frequency List
- Copy of Operating manual and/or Quick reference card for all equipment
- Power cables, spare fuses for all radios
- Earphone or headset, speaker/microphone
- HF antenna tuner and SWR bridge
- Packet radio equipment (TNC, terminal, printer, computer)
- Antennas, coax, connectors for all radio equipment
- Public Service band scanner
- 12 volt DC commercial power supply
- 12 volt DC backup power supply (sealed-lead/deep-cycle batteries)
- Cigarette lighter plug adapters and alligator clip
- Antenna mast sections, push-up mast, ground rod(s)
- Spare guy wire, insulators, connectors, stakes, rope, string
- Two 50 foot sections of coax cable with PL-259 connectors
- One foot, Two foot & Six foot sections of coax cable with PL-259 connectors
- Coax connectors - PL-259, SO-239, RG-58 reducers
- Coax adapters - BNC-to-PL-259, Double-male PL-259, Double-female SO-239
- Volt-Ohm-Amp Meter
- Portable soldering iron, solder, and tool kit
- Spare wire & connectors in assorted gauges
- 50 feet of nylon cord, fishing line, weights, sling shot
- AC generator with fuel
- Extension cords, power strips, AC plug adapters
- GPS receiver

Make a list of the items that you want included in your "Go Kit". The items that are not "normally" stored in your "Go Kit" should be easily located and packed. Identify where these items are for quick access. This will help you to collect all of the important items and get out the door quickly.

Note: All power connections should be using Anderson Powerpole connectors.