

Bryan's Ready pack list plus

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Having many years of experience with Boy Scouts I believe very strongly in the Boy Scout Motto "Be Prepared". When the founder of the Boy Scouts, Lord Baden Powell, was asked "ready for what?" his reply was "for anything". You never know what you will be asked to do or where you will be asked to go and when you arrive at the command post, there may be no resources other than what you have with you.

Wearing (Adjust clothing for current and predicted weather)

Hiking boots (ankle high, leather, Gore Tex)

Wool/polyester socks

Long pants, quick dry, tough (Dickies, Carhartt)

Polypropylene short sleeve shirt

Blaze orange team shirt

Blaze orange hat

Glasses/sunglasses

In pockets

Lighter/water proof matches

Knife

Compass (Silva Ranger with clear rectangular base and sighting mirror) tied to pocket flap

Pen

Small note pad

Sharpie marker (for writing on flagging tape)

Pack (should be small and fit close to your body)

Rain jacket

Rain pants

Gaiters

2 liters of water

Water filter

Food for 24 hours (Cliff bars and powdered Gatorade)

Hanging on shoulder strap

Watch

Whistle

Small light

Thermometer

Pace counting beads

Top or outside pocket or readily accessible

CPR pocket mask

Flagging tape

Garmin 64st GPS loaded with topo maps (uses AA Batteries)
Radio (State police state wide, Fire state wide, EMS, NOAA, others)
Cell phone
Garmin inReach Explorer (back up GPS and satellite texting)
Latex or similar gloves
Spare compass
Headlamp (uses AA batteries)
Leather work gloves
Bandana
Knife
TP
Trauma shears
Small first aid kit (gloves, bandages, moleskin)
Small note pad or note cards
Pen
Sharpie marker

Spare clothes

Long sleeve poly shirt
Poly long underwear
2 pair socks
Underwear
Light fleece top
Medium fleece top
Winter hat
Fleece gloves

Gear repair kit

AA batteries
Spare cell phone battery
Spare radio battery
Parachute core (50')
Nylon webbing (1" wide about 6' long)
Duct tape
Spare pack buckles
Spare head lamp (small uses button batteries)
Small multi tool
Eye glasses strap
Spare zip lock bags

People/dog repair kit

Ace bandage
Triangular bandage (2)
Tape
Gauze 4 X 4
Gloves

Vet wrap
Tweezers
Adhesive bandages
Sewing kit
Misc. medicines
Trauma dressing
Lighter
Iodine tablets
Mylar space blanket (2)
Moleskin

Survival

10' X 10' tarp
Crazy Creek chair
Fire kit (small plastic bottle with lighter and small amount of tinder)
Large trash bags (2).
Chemical light stick
SAM splint

Add in winter

Metal cup or small pot
Can of sterno or small stove
Jello
Light weight sleeping bag
Gore Tex bivy
Spare winter hat
Snow shoes or possibly XC skis

Truck

Toyota Tacoma extended cab 4X4
Cap covering 6' long bed
Seats driver + 1 with back seat for securing gear

Truck tote

Spare radios
Spare GPS
Scanner
More flagging
Cell phone battery pack charger
Complete change of clothes for searching
Complete change of street clothes
Heavy fleece jacket
Spare boots
Tall rubber boots
Neoprene gloves
Cash (\$50 in small bills)

Food for 2 days
Extra water
Sleeping bag
Sleeping pad
Spare AA batteries
Spare headlamps
Tooth brush
Tooth paste
Soap
Towel
Clothes to sleep in
Eating utensils
Bowl
Mug

Also in truck

Garmin Nuvi GPS (capable of inputting coordinates not just street address)
Maine Atlas and Gazetteer
Ax
Spade or snow shovel depending on season
Snow brush/ice scraper
Come along winch and cable
Saw
Tool kit
Rope
Motor oil
Anti freeze
Cigarette lighter charger for cell phone
Charger for radio requires 110VAC
Cigarette lighter 12VDC to 110VAC converter
PFD
Lap top computer with Garmin mapping software and able to program radios
Spare GPS units of various makes and models
Spare radios and radio batteries
Charger for radios
Notebook with current team roster with all contact information
Camp chair

Misc. notes

Don't have things tied on or flapping around on your pack. These things will either get ripped off your pack or will drive you crazy by getting caught on everything.

Any small items in your pockets should be secured in such a way as to not get lost. Tie your compass to your pocket flap. Pockets with flaps and or zippers are good.

I usually leave the keys to my truck somewhere with the truck.