



Davis County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Grab and Go Kit

This is an all inclusive list. This list has suggestions for what you could have ready in case of a Call Out. Make the kit(s) to meet YOUR needs. You will want to plan for Short or Long Call Out's and pack specifically.

Jump Kit Ideas

- Something to put it in – One or more backpacks, suitcases, plastic storage tubs, etc.
- Package Individual items in zip lock bags or plastic containers
- Radios and Accessories
- Handheld VHF or dual-band radio (some people like to bring a spare)
- Spare rechargeable batteries for handhelds
- Alkaline/NiMH battery pack for handhelds
- Alkaline/NiMH batteries, buy the highest capacity you can find. 2500mAh are available.
- Battery chargers, AC and DC for handhelds
- Mobile VHF or dual band radio
- HF radio
- Multi-band HF antenna, tuner, heavy parachute cord
- Gain antennas and adapters (roll-up J-Pole, mobile magnetic mount, etc.)
- Coaxial feed lines, jumpers
- Ground rod, pipe clamp, and wire
- AC power supplies for VHF/UHF mobile and HF radios and accessories
- Large battery source for VHF/UHF mobile and HF radios and charger
- All related power, data, audio, and RF cables and adapters
- Small repair kit: hand tools, multi-meter, connectors, adapters, fuses, key parts
- Materials for improvisation: wire, connectors, small parts, insulators, duct tape, etc.
- Photocopies of manuals for all equipment
- Headphones – for noisy areas and privacy
- Specialized gear for packet, ATV, or other modes
- Multi-band scanner, weather radio
- Personal cell phone, pager, spare batteries, and chargers
- Pencils/Pens, legal pads, pencil sharpener

Personal Gear

- Clothing for the season, weather, length of deployment
- Toilet kit: soap, razor, deodorant, comb, toilet paper
- Foul weather or protective gear, warm coats, hats, etc. as needed
- Sleeping bag, closed-cell foam pad, pillow ear plugs
- High-energy snacks
- Easily prepared dried foods that will store for long periods
- Eating and cooking equipment if needed
- Water containers, filled before departure
- First aid kit, personal medications and prescriptions for up to one week
- Money, including a large quantity of quarters for vending machines, tolls, etc.
- Telephone calling card

Information

- ID cards and other authorizations
- Frequency lists and net schedules
- Maps, both street and topographic
- Key phone numbers, email and internet addresses
- Contact information for other members in your group, EC, DEC, SEC, and others
- Copy of emergency plans
 - County EmComm Plan
- Resource lists: who to call for which kinds of problems
- Log sheets, message forms
- Operating Supplies
- Outgoing message forms or sheets to compose messages
- Incoming message forms (Some operators copy the message onto scratch paper, and then transcribe it cleanly)

Misc. Suggestions

- Keep your vehicle tank up past 1/2 full
- During winter months water containers are only filled 7/8 full for ice expansion.