



WESTERN KERN COUNTY ARES® GO-KIT ⁹⁻¹⁻¹¹

Have this basic Go-Kit assembled and ready to go, or in your vehicle. You may want to wait until alerted to put in fresh food, water, personal items, charged batteries, etc. It's handy to put a copy of this list in the kit so when you are in a hurry you can refer to it to be sure you have everything.

Hand held radios are nice but RF power and battery life are limited. If you are going to staff a Served Agency site that does not have pre-installed radios it is advisable to have a portable mobile radio, power supply, antenna, and sufficient battery back-up to enable you to operate for up to 12 hours without shore power.

- Eyeglasses / dark glasses (*if you need them*)
- Safety Glasses
- Dust mask – .95 or better
- ARES/RACES Safety Vest - if purchased
- Cellular telephone and charger
- Driver's License and EmCOMM ID
- Cash (change) for phones, vending machines
- Hand Held radio, charger, antenna, ear piece, manual, spare battery, lapel microphone – Better antennas make for better coverage.
- Formal Go-Kit Mobile radio, power supply & antenna (best if going to a Served Agency site) ⁹⁻¹⁻¹¹**
- All necessary message forms, logs, freq. info.**
- Pens, pencils, paper, tape, paperclips, dry erase markers, etc.**
- FCC license - copy
- 1 to 2 qts. of water and snacks/food for a day – in summer add more water and sport drink.
- Personal medications for a day
- Small first aid kit
- Foam ear plugs
- Plans, maps, forms, references, notebook
- Small AA flashlight and/or headlamp
- Utility pocketknife or tool
- Lighter or matches
- Hat & sunscreen
- Work gloves
- Appropriate footwear
- Clothing suitable for current or predicted weather

If you think you will be out for a longer period of time add additional food, water, sleeping bag, supplies for personal care, and extra clean clothes.

Additional batteries, generator, or solar power sources may be needed. See Supplemental Personal Survival Needs