

## SURVIVAL KITS

A woodsman carries a knife, matches in a waterproof container, a compass and a few adhesive bandages. Usually this is enough under normal conditions. However, you'll really be prepared if you make up your personal survival kit. Carry it with you at all times. Keep it small so you will not be tempted to leave it behind.



Your survival kit could contain:

- 1) small metal or plastic box (metal allows for cooking in)
- 2) matches waterproofed (use wax or nail polish)
- 3) compass
- 4) emergency food (bouillon and sugar cubes, tea bags and candies)
- 5) razor blades
- 6) fish line (nylon 25lb. test) and fish hooks and lures
- 7) adhesive tape and bandages
- 8) wire 5-10 ft. light and flexible for snares
- 9) aluminum foil (2 sheets, 12" square to make cooking utensils)
- 10) Halazone tablets to purify water
- 11) paper and pencil for messages
- 12) whistle
- 13) candles (for fire lighting)
- 14) needles and thread for mending
- 15) nylon twine for shelters

And anything else you wish to include...

No matter what you include in your personal survival kit, try to select items that can serve more than one purpose.

| <b>Item</b>      | <b>Primary Purpose</b>         | <b>Secondary Purpose(s)</b>   |
|------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Container        | Hold all of the survival items | -Boil water<br>-Cook small amounts of food<br>-Signal reflector (pre-polish one side) |
| Matches          | Start fire                     |   |
| Compass          | Find directions                | Backup to GPS   |
| Emergency food   | Basic nourishment              | Morale booster  |
| Razor blade      | Cutting tool                   |   |
| Fishing line     | Catch food                     | -Tie items together<br>-Stitch wounds closed  |
| Fish hooks/lures | Catch food                     | Use as a pin to remove splinters  |
| Adhesive tape    | First aid                      | -Repair tents<br>-Make a sling<br>-Repair torn clothing/boots<br>-Stop leaks          |
| Bandages         | First aid                      | Soak up small amounts of water  |
| Wire             | Snare small animals            | Building shelter  |
| Foil             | Cooking                        | -Form container to hold water<br>-Signal reflector                                    |
| Halazone tablets | Purify water                   |   |
| Paper            | Write messages                 | Fire starter  |
| Pencil           | Write messages                 | Firewood  |
| Whistle          | Signalling                     |   |
| Candle           | Start fire                     | -Provide warmth<br>-Provide light   |
| Needle/thread    | Sewing                         | -Tie items together<br>-Stitch wounds closed  |
| Twine            | Building shelter               | -Tourniquet<br>-Belt<br>-Shoelaces<br>-Backup fishing line                            |