

Prepper Acronyms & Definitions

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Acronyms

4WD – Four-Wheel Drive
AHBL – All Hell Broke Loose
ALICE – All Purpose Lightweight Individual Carrying Equipment
AO – Area of Operation
APC – Armored Personnel Carrier
BDS – Brain Dead Sheep
BOB – Bug Out Bag
BOHICA – Bend Over, Here It Comes Again
BOG – Bug Out Gun
BOL – Bug Out Location
BOV – Bug Out Vehicle
BSTS – Better Safe Than Sorry
BUG – Back Up Gun
CCP – Concealed Carry Permit
CCW – Concealed Carry Weapon
CHSH – Could Have, Should Have
CME – Coronal Mass Ejection (See also Carrington Event, below)
CQ – Calling All Stations (Amateur Radio Term)
CUSH – Could Use Some Help
CYA – Cover Your Ass
EDC – Every Day Carry
ELE – Extinction Level Event
EOD – End of Days
EOT – End of Times
EMP – Electromagnetic Pulse
FAK – First Aid Kit
FIFO – First In, First Out
FMJ – Full Metal Jacket (ammunition)
FOOFF – Fuck Off on Foot, Fast
FTE - Failure to Eject
FTF – Failure to Fire
FUBAR – Fucked Up Beyond All Recognition
FUBB – Fucked Up Beyond Belief
FWIW – For What It's Worth
GHB – Get Home Bag
GMO – Genetically Modified Organism
GOOD – Get Out of Dodge

GSW – Gun Shot Wound

HAM – A term meaning an Amateur Radio Operator

HEMP – High Altitude Electromagnetic Pulse

IAEFRTFD – If All Else Fails, Read the Fucking Directions

IFAK – Individual First Aid Kit

INCH – I’m Never Coming Home

JHP – Jacketed Hollow Point (ammunition)

JIC – Just in Case

KISS – Keep It Simple, Stupid

KMA – Kiss My Ass

LEO – Law Enforcement Officer

LGS – Local Gun Shop

LRP – Long Range Patrol

MAD – Mutually Assured Destruction

MOLLE – Modular Lightweight Load-Carrying Equipment

MOA - Minute of Angle or Arc

MRE – Meal, Ready-To-Eat

MSM – Main Stream Media

NBC – Nuclear, Biological, Chemical

NINJA – No Income, No Job, No Assets

OPSEC – Operational Security

PAW – Post Apocalyptic World

PERK – Personal Emergency Relocation Kit

PPPPPP – Proper Prior Planning Prevents Piss Poor Performance

PSK – Personal Survival Kit

RFN – Right Fuckin’ Now

ROL – Rule of Law (See also, WROL, below.)

SAK – Swiss Army Knife

SHTF – Shit Hits the Fan

SMH – Shaking My Head

SNAFU – Situation Normal, All Fucked Up

SOL – Shit Out of Luck

SOP – Standard Operating Procedure

SPORTS –

- S** - Slap the bottom of the magazine firmly to make sure it is properly seated.
- P** - Pull the charging handle back.
- O** - Observe the round or brass ejecting then observe the chamber.
- R** - Release the charging handle.
- T** - Tap the forward assist to make sure the bolt is seated properly.
- S** - Squeeze the trigger

TBTF – Too Big to Fail

TEOCAWKI – The End of Civilization as We Know It

TEOTWAWKI – The End of The World as We Know It

TNS – Take No Shit

TPTB – The Powers That Be

VB – Vehicle Bag

WROL – Without Rule of Law

WTF – What the Fuck!

YMMV – Your Mileage May Vary

YOLO – You Only Live Once

YOYO – You Are on Your Own

Word / Phrase Definitions

72 Hour Bag – Another name for a BOB. (See also BOB, above.)

Alpha Strategy – Storing supplies for survival or barter, after SHTF.

Berkey – A commercial water filtration system that can filter / purify water for personal / home needs. The high-end Berkey model, the “Crown Berkey” will filter up to 26 gallons per hour, at the current cost of \$625. This includes all 8 filters necessary to achieve this flow rate.

Bugging In – In most cases, you would be in your BOL already. If not, you have decided to stay put, wherever you are during a SHTF scenario.

Bugging Out – You have decided to leave, or evacuate where you are located, in the event of a disaster. It would be best to have a BOB with you. If not, you may very well end up SOL.

Carrington Event – This is also known as “The Solar Storm Of 1859”. This was named after Richard Carrington, a British astronomer who first witnessed the event.

A CME (Coronal Mass Ejection) hit the Earth’s Magnetosphere, causing one of the most intense geomagnetic storms in known history. The storm burned out telegraph systems throughout the world. Telegraph systems sparked, often resulting in fires in the telegraph offices.

If a similar event were to occur today, with all the sensitive electronics and electrical systems we have around the world, it could, almost literally, send the world back into the Dark Ages.

Doomer – A person who believes disaster is coming and chaos will follow. A hardcore prepper.

Faraday Cage – A metal enclosure, either a solid container or made from screen, if designed, properly constructed and grounded, will protect sensitive electronic equipment against an EMP.

FIAT – World issued currencies. They may not be worth the paper they are printed on, if a major world changing event occurs.

Genny / Genset – Generator. A combination of engine and alternator. Portable or permanently mounted power generation equipment located where grid power may not be available. A backup generator should be part of your off-grid, or SHTF plan at your BOL.

Grid Down – A situation where the power grid has failed, possibly due to an EMP or an CME.

Mall Ninja – A person who values style over substance. (See also NINJA, above.)

(MOA) Minute of Angle or Arc – 1 MOA closely matches 1” at 100 yards. Rifle shooters often call a 1” group fired at 100 yards distance a “1-MOA group.” While MOA remains constant, the group sizes increases with distance. 1” at 100 yards will be 2” at 200 yards, 3” at 300 yards, etc.

Molon Labe – Ancient Greek, translated means “Come and take them.”

Paracord – Parachute cord. The stuff has a thousand and one uses. Proper paracord is very strong, with a minimum breaking strength of 550 pounds.

Prepper – A person who is always prepared for the worst.

Preps – Preparations, what you have, or have done, to prepare for SHTF scenarios.

Rendezvous Point – A predetermined location to meet your family, or others in your group.

Rule of Threes – You can live three minutes without oxygen, three days without water, and three weeks without food.

Sheeple – People who follow others blindly, and do not think for themselves. This includes, but is not limited to, Liberals, Socialists and my favorite group of people, Millennials.

Shelf Life – The useful life of a product you store for SHTF situations. Keep FIFO in mind, when storing foods with expiration dates on the packaging.

Survival Cache – The collection of things you will need in the event of a SHTF situation, stored and hidden at, or en route to, your BOL. It is best if this information is only known to you.

Two Is One, One Is None – Murphy’s Law will always arrive at the most inopportune times. So, it is best to have two plans, rather than one, in case ol’ Murphy shows up.

Zombies – No. Not the ones you see in movies and on television. These are the poor souls who were too naive to plan, or to prepare in advance, for a SHTF situation. Often, these same naïve souls look upon preppers as though **we** are the stupid, or crazy ones.