

Basic Deployment Equipment Checklist

When responding to an emergency event, or even a training exercise, there is a minimum set of equipment and personal gear you should bring with you to get the job done. Basic items include:

- 2-meter hand-held
- 2-meter mag-mount antenna and coax
- Earphone
- Paper and pencil
- ARES ID card
- Extra batteries
- Appropriate clothing
- Food and water

The majority of these items should be kept in a “Ready Kit.” Just pick it up on your way out the door for deployment. You might also consider the items on the following list for inclusion in this ready kit, designed to allow you to stay in the field for up to 72 hours.

Extended Deployment (72 hour)Equipment Checklist

- 3 day change of clothes
- Toilet articles
- Portable stove;
- mess kit with cleaning kit
- Candles
- 3 day supply of water and food
- Liquid refreshments
- Throat lozenges
- Aspirin or other pain reliever
- Power supplies, chargers
- Headphones
- Antennas with mounts
- Extra coax
- Power, audio and other connectors and adapters
- Soldering iron and solder
- Electrical and duct tape
- Log books
- Foul weather gear
- Shelter (tent and sleeping bag)
- Waterproof matches
- Flashlight
- Alarm clock
- Snacks
- First aid kit
- Prescriptions
- Additional radios, packet gear
- Microphones
- Patch cords
- SWR bridge (VHF and HF)
- RF connectors and adapters
- Toolbox
- Batteries
- VOM
- Safety glasses
- Message forms