

ROAD-TRIP EMERGENCY SUPPLIES CHECKLIST

Pack for the vehicle, the people, the route, and the weather.

Keep critical items accessible: Store the kit where it can be reached without unloading the vehicle. Secure every item so it cannot become a projectile in a sudden stop or crash.

COMMUNICATION, HEALTH, AND ESSENTIALS

- ☐ **Phone and power.** Fully charged phone, vehicle charger, charging cable, and backup power bank.
- ☐ **First aid and medications.** First aid kit, personal medications, medical information, and needed mobility or accessibility supplies.
- ☐ **Water and food.** Drinking water and shelf-stable food appropriate for the passengers, trip length, climate, and possible delays.
- ☐ **Documents and contacts.** Driver license, registration, insurance, roadside-assistance details, emergency contacts, and lodging or destination information.
- ☐ **Navigation backup.** Offline maps or a current paper map, written route information, and a shared itinerary.

ROADSIDE VISIBILITY AND VEHICLE SUPPORT

- ☐ **Visibility equipment.** Flashlight with spare batteries, reflective vest, and approved reflective warning triangles or other legal warning devices.
- ☐ **Battery support.** Jumper cables or a charged jump pack rated for your vehicle; use only as directed.
- ☐ **Tire equipment.** Tire-pressure gauge, inflator or manufacturer-approved mobility kit, and a serviceable spare, jack, and lug wrench if equipped.
- ☐ **Basic support items.** Work gloves, basic tools, duct tape for temporary non-safety-critical use, shop towels, and extra windshield-washer fluid.
- ☐ **Vehicle-specific needs.** Owner's manual, charging adapters if applicable, wheel-lock key, and supplies required for a trailer or mobility equipment.

WEATHER AND PASSENGER COMFORT

- ☐ **Cold weather.** Blankets, warm clothing, ice scraper, small shovel, and traction material appropriate for the route.
- ☐ **Heat and sun.** Extra water, hats, sunscreen, and protection for children, older adults, pets, and temperature-sensitive medication.
- ☐ **Rain and remote travel.** Rain gear, sturdy footwear, insect repellent, whistle, and location-appropriate supplies.

BEFORE DEPARTURE

- ☐ **Inspect and refresh the kit.** Replace expired food, water, medicine, batteries, and damaged equipment. Confirm everyone knows where the kit is.
- ☐ **Check the route.** Review weather, road closures, fuel or charging stops, cell coverage, rest areas, and safe alternate routes.