

Grip Department

Any person accepting a call within the Grip Department must bring the following tools with them. We suggest carrying everything in a knapsack or kit bag, which you can store on the Grip Truck.

WHAT YOU MUST HAVE WITH YOU!

Basic Tool Kit includes:

- Leather work gloves (lined gloves for winter Calls);
- A crescent wrench, normally the 6" or 8" size;
- A utility knife with snap-off blades (Olfa brand or similar);
- A Mag light or small flashlight;
- A Leatherman or Gerber (break-down combination pliers, screwdrivers and cutting blades) OR Adjustable pliers (normally the 6" or 8" size), and a multi-head screwdriver (the full-size Pic Six is recommended);
- **All weather gear**--necessary for any conditions, including sun, rain, snow, heat and cold. We advise always carrying a baseball cap, water-resistant jacket and over pants, an extra pair of shoes/boots, and any personal care items that may not be available where you are working (mosquito repellent, sunscreen, etc.). Always hope for the best and plan for the worst.

Optional Gear

You may also want to carry some of the following gear on your person or in your kit bag. All of it is useful and recommended, but none of it is required.

- A tool belt with one or more pouches (you can build your own at an Army surplus store or a good outdoor outfitter),
- A Sharpie (a brand of felt pen), a pen and a pencil,
- A claw hammer,
- A tape measure (the most useful size is the 1" x 30' model),
- A strap-on headlamp (the Petzl line is available at Mountain Equipment Co-op and other outdoor stores),
- A water bottle,
- Spare knife blades for your utility knife,
- Eight to 12 wooden clothespins (we call them C-47s) and
- A set of metric and Imperial Allen keys.

Different positions within the department may have **additional** tool requirements. Check with the Department Head.

~ "... Proper preparation prevents poor performance..." ~

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