

# 72 Hour Hunter Survival Kit

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Carry these items when you venture into the field, just in case you become lost and have to "camp out." A knapsack works well, and a hunter's vest or fanny pack will hold the most important items if you need to travel light. These items ought to get you by for up to 72 hours.

- Medicine (whatever you need for at least 72 hours--mark all drug containers with use, dosage and expiration date)
- Compass (with instructions for proper use)
- Paper and pencil or pen (you can write down your compass bearings)
- Map of the area
- Lighter (Bic disposable or equivalent)
- Waterproof matches
- Magnesium stick (for starting fires)
- Fuel tablets (fire starters)
- Utility candle wrapped in aluminum foil
- Old newspaper or some sort of tinder for fire making (in a plastic bag)
- Utility knife (Leatherman, Swiss Army, etc.)
- Canteen or water bottle that can hold about 750mls
- Water purification tablets
- Rain poncho
- Plastic ground cover
- Space blanket
- Tube tent
- 25 feet of nylon line
- Flashlight
- Watch
- Snacks (trail mix, M&M, candy, etc.)
- Signal mirror
- Whistle
- This list (so that you know what you have in your survival kit)

You may want to add:

- GPS unit (with fresh batteries and instructions for proper use)
- Trail / Kit gun (.22 handgun and ammo)
- Two way radio

If you have any items that you think should be added to this list, please e-mail me at:  
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