



## 10 Essential Items To Store in Your Vehicle

Storing the proper items in your car can make a huge difference in the case of an emergency. The following 10 essential items are small enough to easily keep within a compact space in your trunk and can come in handy while on the road.

- **First-Aid Kit** - Make your own first-aid kit or purchase a pre-assembled kit at any pharmacy or big-box retailer. The kit should have all the basics: bandages, antibacterial wipes, pain reliever tablets, gauze, and medical tape.
- **Flashlight** - Pack a waterproof flashlight in both the glove compartment and trunk. Remember to change the batteries regularly to ensure the flashlight will operate when you need it.
- **Jumper Cables** - If you've never experienced a dead battery in your lifetime, consider yourself lucky. Jumper cables or a jump starter power station can help get you out of a jam.
- **Warm Blankets** - As unlikely as it sounds, you never know if you'll need to seek shelter for hours at a time within your vehicle. Pack at least two warm blankets to curl up with while waiting for help to arrive.
- **Food and Water** - Don't allow you or your passengers to get stuck in your car without sustenance. Keep several bottles of water handy within the vehicle along with some nutrient-dense snacks such as raisins, nuts, and energy bars.
- **Tire Gauge** - Having a tire gauge allows you to prevent any problems associated with having low tire pressure.
- **Tire Repair Kit** - Tire repair kits can contain patches and sealants that allow you to temporarily fix a tire until you're able to arrive at a repair shop.
- **Warning Triangles** - Keep you and other drivers safe by having a minimum of three warning triangles in your car. These can be placed on the road to alert others to your predicament.
- **Road Flares** - Like warning triangles, road flares are helpful at notifying others that you have broken down and are unable to move your vehicle.
- **Duct Tape** - Duct tape is a surprisingly useful item that can help make a few quick roadside fixes possible.

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