

THE ULTIMATE ROAD TRIP CHECKLIST

BEFORE YOU LEAVE:

Pre-Departure Car Check

- Tire tread
- Tire pressure
- Windshield wipers
- Lights
- Signals
- Battery
- Fuel level
- Fluid levels:**
 - Engine oil
 - Coolant
 - Windshield wash
 - Brake fluid
 - Power steering fluid (if applicable)
 - Transmission fluid (if applicable)

FOR THE ROAD:

Essentials

- Driver's license
- Car registration
- Car insurance card
- Health insurance card
- Phone # for roadside assistance
- Cash
- Road atlas
- Swiss Army knife or multitool
- Hand sanitizer
- Wipes
- Umbrella
- Ponchos
- Microfiber towel
- Swimsuit

Car Care & Maintenance Supplies

- Tire pressure gauge
- Multimeter
- Engine oil
- Coolant
- Windshield wash
- Tire patch kit
- Jumper cables / portable car battery charger
- Spare tire
- Tire jack
- Lug wrench
- Fire extinguisher
- Basic toolkit: screwdrivers, adjustable wrench, zip ties, pliers





Roadside Emergency Kit

- Water (one gallon+ per person)
- 3-day supply ready-to-eat food
- Can opener
- Emergency blanket (one per person)
- First aid kit
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Solar-powered cell phone charger
- Road flares or reflective triangles
- Duct tape
- Whistle
- Tarp
- Work gloves
- High-visibility safety vest
- Personal locator beacon or satellite-connected GPS device
- Foldable shovel
- Water purification tablets
- Copy of driver's license / passport
- Extra medications and prescriptions

Supplies for Extreme Temperatures

- * Tire chains
- * Road salt, sand or no-clump cat litter
- * Ice scraper
- * Snow brush
- * Wide-brimmed hat
- * Sunglasses
- * Sunscreen
- * Extra drinking water

Kid Essentials

- Activity books
- Car games
- Word puzzles
- Tablets or laptops
- Ample snacks and drinks
- Toilet paper
- Portable plastic potty

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