



Winter Go-Bag Vehicle Checklist

Porter County Emergency Management Agency



Go-Bag Items:

- Stocking Cap
- Gloves / Mittens
- Exothermic Chemical Hand Warmers
- Socks
- Blanket(s)
- Water
- Snack Food (Non-Perishable)
- Necessary Medications
- Mobile Phone Vehicle Charger
- Flashlight with Extra Batteries
- Battery Powered Radio with Extra Batteries
- Pocket Knife
- Lighter / Candle (For Melting Snow)
- Metal Cup with Handle (To Melt Snow In)
- Chemical Glow Sticks
- Fluorescent Distress Flag

Trunk Items:

- Booster Cables
- 1st Aid Kit
- Windshield Scraper
- Snow Brush
- Shovel
- Melting Salt / Sand Bag
- Emergency Flares / Emergency LED Disks
- Tow Chain / Rope
- Basic Toolkit
- Windshield Washer Fluid
- Motor Oil
- Engine Coolant
- Lock Thaw

If possible, keep your go-bag in the driver's compartment of your vehicle so it is readily accessible. If you are unable to do so, it can be stored in an area of your trunk where it is accessible through the rear seat compartment. This eliminates the need to get out of the vehicle to obtain the bag.

Note:

Keep your vehicle fueled above a half tank. On average, a vehicle burns approximately 1/4 gallon of gas for every 15 minutes at idle. Idling the vehicle for 15 minutes each hour may produce enough heat to keep you warm until help can arrive. Ensure your tail pipe is not blocked by snow/ice. It could cause deadly carbon monoxide to back up into the vehicle.