



## ALABAMA TELECOMMUNICATOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE TASKFORCE

### ATTACHMENT F: TERT Member Supply List

The following has been adapted from the AL-TERT Team Member Deployment Supply List

Supplies should be tailored to expected environmental and scene conditions, specific member needs, and guidance from the TERT State Coordinator, TERT Team Leader and/or Incident Commander. It is a Best Practice for the deployed TERT Team to assure their members are able to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours when deploying to major disaster scenes, but the Team must also meet the requirements of the EMAC Mission Order.

All TERT members should understand that deployment requires commitment and flexibility. Basic comfort facilities may not be available and only those willing and physically able to work in adverse conditions should become team members. Those requiring special diets and/or refrigerated medication or medical conditions requiring ongoing monitoring should not be selected for response.

#### In a Backpack or Day Pack (to be carried with you at all times)

Canteen - 1 quart water / Canteen cover and/or  
Nalene (or similar) wide-mouth bottle. (Good for mixing powdered drinks)  
Canteen cup – collapsible if possible  
Swiss Army Knife  
Leather work gloves  
Eye protection / Ear protection  
Rain gear  
Flashlight / Induction flashlight preferred. Extra bulb for regular flashlight (typically provided with Maglite's)  
Reverse one battery to prevent accidental discharge. Small compact is best.  
Camp knife  
Office Supplies: pens, pencils, permanent markers, small notepads, post-it notes, tape, rubber bands, etc.  
Garbage Bag  
Matches in waterproof case  
ID / Driver's License / Cash / Debit or Credit Card - The ability to use credit/ATM cards may be limited  
Roll of quarters for vending machines  
Cell Phone & Charger  
1 Meal Ready-to-Eat (MRE)  
Spare set of prescription glasses & sunglasses  
First Aid Kit  
Sewing Kit  
Skin protection (sunscreen)  
Insect repellent  
Hat / Handkerchief  
Sanitary Supplies  
Lip balm / Tylenol / decongestants  
Prescription medications for term of deployment plus seven days  
Snacks & bottled water-Trail mix, energy bars, PB crackers, dry cereal or granola, etc.  
Dry-erase markers  
Personal items if needed – hair bands, gum, handi-wipes, tide stick  
Extra set of socks  
Jump drive with forms and credentials on it

## **In a Duffel Bag, Camping Backpack or Luggage (Soft duffel bags are preferred over hard luggage)**

Sleeping bag, pillow, bedding  
Clothesline  
Uniforms (2-5 changes of clothes) Long pants, long sleeved shirt, shorts, T-shirts (clothing appropriate to the season)  
Casual Clothing for down time/sleeping  
Coat or jacket and gloves (as appropriate)  
Work or hiking boots that provide ankle support  
Sneakers / tennis shoes  
Trouser belt  
Underwear  
Socks  
Mess kit / Camp cup / Eating utensils  
Spare batteries for flashlight  
Utility items: safety pins, needle and thread, extra buttons, duct tape, electrical tape, etc.  
Note: re-roll a few feet of tape on a pencil or similar and break off ends for a compact supply  
Towel & Washcloth  
Swimwear (weather dependent)  
Shower shoes  
Personal Items: Soap, shampoo/conditioner, toothbrush/toothpaste, hairbrush, razor, cosmetics, hand mirror, personal hygiene items, contact lens supplies, floss, etc. Pack sufficient quantities.  
Zip lock bags (assorted sizes)  
Garbage bags  
Dirty laundry bag  
Half roll of toilet paper--smash flat to conserve space  
Hand & body towelettes / hand sanitizer  
Radio / batteries  
Reading materials / entertainment  
Small battery powered alarm clock, pager or watch to be used as an alarm clock  
MRE's  
Canned goods, such as fruit, meat, soups - with pull tops, if possible

The type of clothing needed in the disaster area may differ from the Telecommunicator's home state. Check current and projected weather conditions. Wear comfortable clothes. In colder climates, it is always best to dress in layers. In warmer climates, it is advisable to wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants (i.e., cargo pants provide plenty of useful pockets) to avoid insect bites, etc. Shoes should be worn (i.e., steel-toed boots or tennis shoes).

### **Optional Items to consider (not required):**

1. Solar battery charger (power bank) – recharge phones, flashlights, etc.
2. Hot hands (seasonal)
3. Baby Wipes
4. Can Opener, if bringing non-pull top cans

### **Special Considerations:**

1. Keep the number of packs of your equipment to a minimum. You should be able to carry them all at once for a short distance.
2. Military duffel bags are ideal. Vacation type luggage is acceptable, but discouraged.
3. Label ALL your equipment with your name and address.
4. Absolutely NO Sterno, propane or compressed gas containers should be in your gear. Chemical heaters are acceptable.
5. It is possible there will be no electrical outlets available. Electrically powered items are discouraged.
6. Consider packing each of your days' worth of clothes in a separate zip lock bag for easy retrieval of that day's items.
7. Pack all equipment in your pack in separate zip lock bags in case your pack is exposed to the weather.