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Bug-Out Vehicles

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What People Don't Understand About Bugout Vehicles

You don't need a "Mad Max" vehicle to bug out.

- The best place to start is with the vehicle you already own.
- Your vehicle will depend on how many people you are going to transport and where you will be transporting them to.
- You may need something heavier than a family vehicle if your bugout destination is in the woods or through rough terrain.
- Your bug out vehicle should be properly equipped.

Your Vehicle Must Be Able To Get There

If your vehicle can't handle the road, or isn't equipped to handle the terrain, it won't do you any good and you will be stuck.

- You need items that will help you care for the vehicle itself.
- Maintenance items include air pumps, jacks, oil, gas, and radiator fluid.
- Traction mats are a good idea.
- A high-lift jack is also a good idea.

Make Sure You Take Care Of Your Passengers

Your bugout vehicle should include items to care for the people it is transporting. These include...

- Food/cooking gear for three days per person.
- Water for three days per person (3 gallons).
- Factor in water for hygiene on top of the 1 gallon per person per day benchmark.

You Need First Aid Gear In Your Bugout Vehicle

You need first aid gear if you're going to care for the people in your vehicle.

- Make sure you have first-aid kits.
- Most accidents are cuts or burns.
- A suture kit is also a good idea.
- Include a tourniquet as well.

Make Sure To Pack Shelter

Your vehicle is not enough shelter by itself.

- For longer-term survival, sleeping in the vehicle won't be comfortable for all passengers in many cases.
- What if your vehicle is stuck or disabled and not suitable for sleeping in?
- Pack some sort of tent or emergency shelter, including a sleeping bag and tube tent, or tarp and paracord to fashion a shelter.
- Make sure you can stay warm; this is why sleeping bags are a good idea.
- Pack blankets are also very helpful.

Don't Forget Emergency Tools

When things go wrong, you must be prepared. Include emergency tools in your vehicle, including...

- Recovery tools for getting a vehicle unstuck
- · Hand tools
- Escape and evasion tools (like bolt cutters)
- Personal supplies and comfort items
- Anything at all you might need in an emergency scenario

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