

Stocking Your RV Toolkit



The Big Idea

An RV toolkit is like a first aid kit for your RV. A properly stocked toolkit will come in handy more than you might realize as a new RV owner.

Your RV is like a home on wheels. Imagine not having a pair of scissors or a screwdriver in your home. A small issue like a loose cabinet hinge could become a major problem if you don't tighten the screw. You can be a minimalist in the DIY department, but you still have to be prepared with the basics.

RV Toolkit Essentials

- Scissors
- Duct tape
- Extra light bulbs
- Batteries
- Glue
- Bungee cords
- Electrical tape
- Claw hammer and nails
- Tire pressure gauge
- Vehicle fluids
- Extensions cords

Additional Tools to Keep Handy

- Wrenches
- Pliers
- Vice grip
- Lightweight drill
- Socket set
- Utility knife

Tip

Don't forget your owner manuals—not just for the RV, but for all the gadgets and appliances in your RV as well.

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| Tools for Your Vehicle

- Flashlight
- Jumper cables
- Emergency lights/flares
- Spare tire
- Orange cones

Tip

If you have a towable RV, make sure your roadside assistance plan includes towing your RV if your vehicle breaks down.

| Always Watch Your Cargo Weight

Be prepared for minor maintenance issues that arise during your travels, but don't overload or unevenly load your rig.

- Evenly space out your heavy items throughout the RV to properly distribute cargo weight.
- Separate tools into multiple storage containers and distribute throughout the external storage compartments.
- Look for compact versions of tools and tool kits whenever possible.