Jeep Equipment Safety List for Trail Riding

Group A (Required equipment – must have it to go on any sanctioned club trail ride)

*You have three months from the time you join to comply with these requirements

- Valid driver's license
- Vehicle insurance meeting the state of Florida requirements
- Current state tag
- Operational seatbelt for driver and all passengers
- Rollbar/rollcage for all soft top vehicles (also recommended for any vehicle with any type of removable top)
- Battery securely bolted down (no rope or bungee cords allowed)
- Approved front and rear tow points (hooks, receivers, tow eyes etc.)
- Loose fitting leather gloves
- Jack and lug wrench (jack must be able to work on the size vehicle on the run; wrench must work on installed wheels)
- Spare tire (must be close in size to the installed tire No Compact Spares)
- Fire extinguisher (minimum 2.5 pounds of dry chemical, ABC rated)
- First aid kit (should include a bee/insect sting kit)
- Snatch/Tug-em strap (minimum 2 " x 20' with sewn eyes, no hooks, and be rated for at least 20, 000 pounds)
- Bungee cords (These are used to secure all loose items such as coolers, gas cans, tools, etc. This prevents them from flying around the interior in a quick stop or rollover and injuring the occupants)
- Quality flashlight with extra batteries
- <u>Completed</u> emergency health information medical sheet for all occupants (included in membership packet)

Group B (Recommended but not required)

These items are strongly recommended if you plan on doing extensive trail exploration, but are not required. I'm sure if you asked any experienced club members, they would add a few items to this group list because they feel they could not get by without them.

- Operating CB radio
- D-clevis and/or shackle (minimum 5/8" a few extra are always handy)
- Snatch block (for those winch pulls that aren't in a straight line)
- Tree-saver strap (minimum 2" x 6' make sure you write your name on all your straps so you get them back after being used on a group effort)
- Hand winch (come-a-long, 2-ton minimum. Power winch is also nice but can be big \$\$\$s. A hi-lift jack is acceptable)
- Jumper cables (make sure they are quality and in good shape)
- Shovel (minimum 12" handle)
- Axe (24 "minimum and l or tree saw)
- Flares and/or road reflectors (in case you break down on the way to a run or on the way back from a run)
- Pickax or mattock
- Short chain with grab hooks (3/8" x 6' maximum)
- Hi-lift jack with accessories (wood base, extra chain, etc.)

Seem like a lot? Not really. Some experienced off-roaders would call these items a minimum on their list. They also bring important spare parts, specialized electronic equipment like a GPS unit, and other invaluable items. This list does not cover other basics like a minimum amount water for those especially long runs or emergency situations.

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