



# Top 100 Items to Disappear First During a National Emergency

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1. Generators(Good ones cost dearly. Gas storage, risky. Noisy...target of thieves; maintenance etc.)
2. Water Filters/Purifiers
3. Portable Toilets
4. Seasoned Firewood. Wood takes about 6 – 12 months to become dried, for home uses.
5. Lamp Oil, Wicks, Oil Lamps (First Choice: Buy CLEAR oil. If scarce, stockpile ANY!)
6. Coleman Fuel. Impossible to stockpile too much.
7. Guns, Ammunition, Pepper Spray, Knives, Clubs, Bats & Slingshots.
8. Can openers, & hand egg beaters, whisks, kitchen utensils.
9. Honey/Syrups/white, brown sugar
10. Rice – Beans – Wheat
11. Vegetable Oil (for cooking) Without it food burns/must be boiled etc.,)
12. Charcoal, Lighter Fluid (Will become scarce suddenly)
13. Water Containers (Urgent Item to obtain.) Any size. Small: HARD CLEAR PLASTIC ONLY – note – food grade if for drinking.
16. Propane Cylinders(Urgent: Definite shortages will occur.)
17. Survival Guide Book.
18. Mantles: Aladdin, Coleman, etc. (Without this item, longer-term lighting is difficult.)
19. Baby Supplies: Diapers/formula. ointments/aspirin, etc.
20. Washboards, Mop Bucket w/wringer (for Laundry)
21. Cook Stoves(Propane, Coleman & Kerosene)
22. Vitamins
23. Propane Cylinders and Handle-Holders (Urgent: Small canister use is dangerous without this item)
24. Feminine Hygiene/Haircare/Skin products.
25. Thermal underwear (Tops & Bottoms)
26. Bow saws, axes and hatchets, Wedges (also, honing oil)
27. Aluminum Foil Reg. & Heavy Duty (Great Cooking and Barter Item)
28. Gasoline Containers (Plastic & Metal)
29. Garbage Bags (Impossible To Have Too Many).
30. Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels
31. Milk – Powdered & Condensed (Shake Liquid every 3 to 4 months)
32. Garden Seeds (Non-Hybrid) (A MUST)
33. Clothes pins/line/hangers (A MUST)
34. Coleman's Pump Repair Kit
35. Tuna Fish (in oil)
36. Fire Extinguishers(or..large box of Baking Soda in every room)
37. First aid kits

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38. Batteries (all sizes...buy furthest-out for Expiration Dates)
39. Garlic, spices & vinegar, baking supplies
40. Big Dogs (and plenty of dog food)
41. Flour, yeast & salt
42. Matches. ("Strike Anywhere" preferred.) Boxed, wooden matches will go first
43. Writing paper/pads/pencils, solar calculators
44. Insulated ice chests (good for keeping items from freezing in Wintertime.)
45. Heavy Duty Work Boots, belts, Levis & durable shirts
46. Flashlights/LIGHTSTICKS & torches, "No. 76 Dietz" Lanterns
47. Journals, Diaries & Scrapbooks (jot down ideas, feelings, experience; Historic Times)
48. Garbage cans Plastic (great for storage, water, transporting – if with wheels)
49. Men's Hygiene: Shampoo, Toothbrush/paste, Mouthwash/floss, nail clippers, etc
50. Cast iron cookware (sturdy, efficient)
51. Fishing supplies/tools
52. Mosquito coils/repellent, sprays/creams
53. Duct Tape
54. Tarps/stakes/twine/nails/rope/spikes
55. Candles
56. Laundry Detergent (liquid)
57. Backpacks, Duffel Bags
58. Garden tools & supplies
59. Scissors, fabrics & sewing supplies
60. Canned Fruits, Veggies, Soups, stews, etc.
61. Bleach (plain, NOT scented: 4 to 6% sodium hypochlorite)
62. Canning supplies, (Jars/lids/wax)
63. Knives & Sharpening tools: files, stones, steel
64. Bicycles...Tires/tubes/pumps/chains, etc
65. Sleeping Bags & blankets/pillows/mats
66. Carbon Monoxide Alarm (battery powered)
67. Board Games, Cards, Dice
68. d-con Rat poison, MOUSE PRUFE II, Roach Killer
69. Mousetraps, Ant traps & cockroach magnets
70. Paper plates/cups/utensils (stock up, folks)
71. Baby wipes, oils, waterless & Antibacterial soap (saves a lot of water)
72. Rain gear, rubberized boots, etc.
73. Shaving supplies (razors & creams, talc, after shave)
74. Hand pumps & siphons (for water and for fuels)
75. Soysauce, vinegar, bullions/gravy/soupbase
76. Reading glasses
77. Chocolate/Cocoa/Tang/Punch (water enhancers)
78. "Survival-in-a-Can"
79. Woolen clothing: socks, scarves/ear-muffs/mittens
80. Boy Scout Handbook, / also Leaders Catalog
81. Roll-on Window Insulation Kit (MANCO)
82. Graham crackers, saltines, pretzels, Trail mix/Jerky
83. Popcorn, Peanut Butter, Nuts
84. Socks, Underwear, T-shirts, etc. (extras)
85. Lumber (all types)
86. Wagons & utility carts (for transport to and from)
87. Cots & Inflatable mattress's
88. Gloves: Work/warming/gardening, etc.
89. Lantern Hangers
90. Screen Patches, glue, nails, screws, nuts & bolts
91. Teas
92. Coffee
93. Cigarettes
94. Wine/Liquors (for bribes, medicinal, etc.)
95. Paraffin Wax
96. Chickens
97. Chewing gum/candies
98. Atomizers (for cooling/bathing)
99. Hats & cotton neckerchiefs
100. Livestock

[Thanks to The Bacon Report for this list]

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elertyrache · 232 weeks ago +7

I don't know if I said it already but ...This blog rocks! I gotta say, that I read a lot of blogs on a daily basis and for the most part, people lack substance but, I just wanted to make a quick comment to say I'm glad I found your blog. Thanks, :)

A definite great read..

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Great blog! I would try to keep a few good Self Defense Pepper Spray hidden for emergencies. We will have to do something!

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1) generators...  
Had mine shot by a 9mm pistol by a group of those that were not prepared when we lost our electricity for 4 days!  
Can't kkep it in the house while running, so either "post" a guard (armed), or do without like we ended up doing!

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11) cooking oil/s:  
I heartily recommend you buy as much Virgin Olive oil as you can...  
It is NOT cheap by any means, but nothing good is!  
Lasts quite awhile too, if you keep it out of light, and sealed.  
It will keep you from dying if you have nothing more to eat than lean meats such as: rabbit, or trout.  
(3 days of eating just rabbit meat and you are in serious trouble)  
(It takes 24 -1lb trout, per day, per person, to get all you'll need to stay alive!)  
Take 1 tbsp per meal, or cook the meat/s in the oil to get the additional supplements you need to have a balanced intake.(protein poisoning is bad, starts with diahrrrea, ends with dehydration!)

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41) salt...  
Should be listed sole and separately.  
Why?  
Ever give a person with a thyroid condition "Iodized" salt?  
DON'T!

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13) water containers...




(hard clear plastic) ONLY?  
 Seriously?  
 So, you are saying that I should dispose of my 210 gallon polyethylene water tank made of soft black injection molded plastic? (sure, only a few hundred dollars cost!)

The big one, a 2,500 gallon tank ONLY costs \$1,100.00 + tax!  
 (I'll tell the dealer they are unfit for potable water use!)

What about my 8-15 gallon polyethylene "blue" water barrels? (\$34.00 each @ Sportsman's Warehouse)  
 Or, all my 55 gallon, Blue and Black poly barrels(10)? (\$110.00 each)




Interesting information, but it is WRONG!  
 The list is only as good as a recommendation, NOT as a specific guide for certain!

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Survival in a can?  
 Lumber?  
 Livestock?"  
 Ok, who wrote this mess?

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The list needs to be realistic:  
 1-25: Water and all related categories, to filter, purify, and store/carry same.  
 25-50: foods, all types.  
 50-75: Shelter, clothing, etc.  
 75-100: Traps, weapons, ammo, etc.

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 Survival Gear Catalog · 226 weeks ago +6  




Awesome, Thanks For the Complete List.  
 It is better to be prepared five years early than one minute too late!

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 Bob Bulberber · 222 weeks ago +3  




Really like the article. If you think of it, it's probably safest to endure the emergency by going to Wal-Mart.

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 Bruce Jones · 219 weeks ago +2  




Great list, add vinegar and bees wax for vegi preservation and hardwoods (for smoking meats). Did I not see heirloom seeds?

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 Brian · 216 weeks ago 0  




Great LIST !!

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 Memo · 216 weeks ago +1  




What happened to #14 and #15?

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 Joe · 216 weeks ago +6  

Thanks for the list and informative blog. Have to love the "experts" who mock the post. Everyone must realize nothing is definitive and each and every list will never cover each scenario. Dude with the 210 gallon polyethylene water tank -- not everyone has the funds to purchase a cistern to bury on their property. Let's be realistic. Would love to see your blog if you can do better.

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 JC in AZ · 212 weeks ago +16  

In regards to 'William' who went on and on about different types of water barrels, perhaps he should' have read the article's title a little slower: "Top 100 Items to Disappear First During a National Emergency". I doubt people are running to the the local Wal-Mart to stock up on 2500 gallon water barrels. Odds are, they will find the clear 5 gallon refillable kind or the 7 gallon cube type in the camping section. Corner stores don't usually stock up on much larger.

Frankly, the list will probably vary a little depending on location and type of emergency. Contribute to the list WITHOUT mocking the author. If you've got a better list, please send us the link to your blog so we can all criticize YOUR thoroughness!

Thanks for the huge list! It gives me something tangible to work with as I increase my preparations.

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greenbug · 180 weeks ago

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All good stuff but personally I opt for a few cases of whiskey, lots of tobacco, cigarette paper, pipes etc and lots of .22 ammo

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shindlingsail · 175 weeks ago

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Seeds and Silver is wehre I'm looking right now.

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JDoh · 168 weeks ago

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In times when you find yourself and everyone else "bugging out" cause "SHTF", or natural disasters strike for whatever reason, the 3 most important things to sustain your mortality status is shelter, water, and food...(I like to believe in that order). Being prepared is great, but what if you find yourself away from all your preparations without any way to get to them, or get them back? Knowledge is what is what is going to save your tail!

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HandAxeProMan · 163 weeks ago

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I agree with JDoh about knowledge being most important. However, knowledge without practice is limited and possibly dangerous when everything goes wrong. I'm convinced a few items should be on your person at all times to use in conjunction with the knowledge and practice i.e. knife, fire starter, etc. JDoh must have hard the rule of threes: 3 minutes without air; 3 hours without shelter; 3 days without water; 30 days without food.

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Tim · 149 weeks ago

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Thanks for the list. Some interesting items on the list that I wouldn't consider. Also kind of funny to see things like reading glasses in front of items like nuts, or trail mix. I would assume those items would be listed the other way around.

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David · 146 weeks ago

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What about antibiotics?

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pingjockey68 · 140 weeks ago

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Thanks for your time to make this list. It is very informative for sure. It is certainly good to know that there are people trying to help other get ready when the SHTF. We never know when we go to bed what we will face the next day. I do agree with the man that said his generator got shot up by those not prepared. I do believe that stealth is the answer and a noisy generator is not a good idea for people living in a area that is populated. I even had a problem once with using my colman lanterns when the power was out for about 10 days. Others saw the light and figured I had some supplies but they decided to leave after viewing my 12ga. Like I said stealth is the key to survival and keeping a low profile. I like to help others but sure dont want to advertise what I have or that I am even at home.

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R. Lee · 128 weeks ago

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I have been reading alot of stuff lately about numerous different things that could happen to cause a huge nation-wide emergency. If and when it happens, all you are going to have is what you have. The stores will all be looted in one day. If there is no electricity, your debit-credit cards will be useless. I strongly suggest that you have a few hundred dollars in small bills tucked away. You should also lean in the direction of defending your home, supplies etc... with a couple of 20 or 12 gauge shotguns. You don't want to be around hundreds or thousands of hungry people with hungry children. It won't be pretty. The have-nots will try to take from the haves everything they can. Be prepared!

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hryiball · 125 weeks ago

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Long term water purification in volume, aluminium sulphate and pool chlorine. The alum sulphate is a flocculant and the clorine kills anything in the water. Small amounts go a long way. Get both from a pool supply store.

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Nodoir · 124 weeks ago

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