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EMP / Grid-Down Kit Checklist

A large-scale EMP or grid-down event could disrupt power, communications, and access to digital infrastructure. This checklist is designed to prepare you with non-electric alternatives, shielded gear, and critical resources to maintain situational control and survival.

Faraday Protection

- Faraday bags or containers for key electronics
- Aluminum tape and plastic bins (DIY Faraday setup)
- Spare phone, radio, and battery packs (stored inside protection)

Communication Tools

- Handheld radio (FRS/GMRS or HAM)
- Printed emergency contacts and frequencies
- Battery-powered or crank NOAA radio
- Signal mirror and whistle

Power Independence

- Solar charger (panel-based, multi-port)
- Battery banks (charged, stored in Faraday protection)
- AA/AAA battery supply (rotated regularly)
- Car inverter (DC to AC converter)

Navigation & Intelligence

- Topographic and local paper maps
- Compass and pace beads (optional)
- Notebook and waterproof pen
- Pre-printed emergency procedures or SOPs

Low-Tech Tools & Gear

- Manual can opener
- Multi-tool or folding knife

- Folding saw or hand axe
- Duct tape and zip ties

Food & Water (No-Power Access)

- Manual water pump or gravity filter
- 3+ days of ready-to-eat food (no cooking required)
- Canned goods with pull-tops or manual opener
- Water storage jugs (filled and rotated)

Tips & Hints:

Test gear often and rotate items out of Faraday storage monthly to check functionality.

Print out any critical phone numbers, contacts, maps, and documents you usually store digitally.

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