ARES Emergency Communicator’s Tool Kit

- Directory of ARES Leadership and contact information - Primary and secondary contacts for ECs and AECs
- A complete and up-to-date list of each ARES member with contact information
- A contact list of Sacramento Valley and surrounding county) ARES leadership
- Scheduling sheets for 6 hour shifts 2 operators per shift
- Maps of the county and surrounding counties
- Net Control/operator sign in sheets
- Message forms (ICS-213)
- Note book for logs and notes
- Communication Log pages (Such as ARES Log or ICS-214)
- Post-it notes
- Post-it flags
- Highlighter pens
- Sharpie markers
- Pencils (they work in the rain)
- Hazard Tape to mark off antenna connections and coax or to use to keep people back from station.
- Duck Tape and Blue painter’s tape to tape large pieces of paper or signs to trailer or tables

TIP.. You can wrap a few yards of duck tape or painter’s tape around an old gift card and they take no room in pack or go kit.

ICS Forms

- ICS Form 201, Incident Briefing
- ICS Form 202, Incident Objectives (Incident Action Plan)
- ICS Form 203, Organization Assignment List (Chain of command)
- ICS Form 204, Assignment List (Who works, when)
- ICS Form 205, Incident Radio Communications Plan (What Freq are we using?)
- ICS Form 213 (ARES Version), General Message

Other things to have

- Headset
- Computer with winlink Ideal
- TNC
- Portable Printer