

Fishing equipment checklist for beginners

Free checklist of everything you need to start or go fishing.

- Fishing License, including applicable stamps and if going on private property written permission
- Fishing Pole(s), make sure you know the legal limit on how many poles you can use
- Tackle box (bobbers, extra fishing line, fish stringer, hooks, jigs, leaders, lures, power bait, sinkers and weights)
- Live Bait (if using minnows consider an air aerator, keep all live bait out of direct sunlight)
- Map of body of water and/or area you're fishing in
- Sun Protection; scentless sunscreen and sunglasses
- First aid kit, should be a small, portable kit designed for camping or outdoors
- Insect Repellant
- Portable GPS or fish finder
- Compass
- 4"+ fixed bladed knife
- Needle nose pliers
- Small bottle of hand sanitizer
- Camera (avoid using a cell phone to prevent accidental drops into the water)
- 2 to 3 clean towels
- Water bottles
- Rope tape measurer (to measure the length of your future monster catch)
- Toilet paper