

The One Hundred Items To Disappear Off The Shelves First

The following article was submitted by a reader and it is worthy enough to place in this magazine. While it is hard to come up with a “fits-all” list of needed items, this serves as food for thought for each individual.

We all, depending on our location and special requirements, will need to alter this list to fit our individual needs.

The hurricane disasters in our nation in the last few years are a good example of what cleared the shelves first.

Read, learn, think and ACT.

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. Green wood takes time to dry for home uses.
5. Lamp Oil, Wicks, 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. Hand can openers, & hand egg beaters, whisks.
9. Honey, Syrup, 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, food grade if for drinking.
14. Mini Heater head (Propane) (Without this item, propane won't heat a room.)
15. Grain Grinder (Non-electric)
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. Cookstoves (Propane, Coleman & Kerosene)
22. Vitamins
23. Propane Cylinder Handle-Holder (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, hones & 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 a large box of Baking Soda in every room)
37. First aid kits
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 powered calculators
44. Insulated ice chests (good for keeping items from freezing in Wintertime.)
45. Workboots, 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. Hygiene supplies: Shampoo, Toothbrush paste, Mouthwash/floss, nail clippers, etc
 50. Cast iron cookware (sturdy, efficient)
 51. Fishing supplies & tools
 52. Mosquito 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
 61. Bleach (plain, NOT scented: 4 to 6% sodium hypochlorite)
 62. Canning supplies, (Jars, lids and wax)
 63. Knives & Sharpening tools: files, stones, steel
 64. Bicycles + Tires, tubes, pumps and chains, etc
 65. Sleeping Bags, blankets, pillows & mats
 66. Carbon Monoxide Alarm (battery powered)
 67. Board Games, Cards, Dice
 68. d-con Rat poison — Roach Killer
 69. Mousetraps, Ant traps & Cockroach magnets
 70. Paper plates, cups and 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 and soupbase
 76. Reading glasses
 77. Chocolate, Cocoa, Tang, Punch (water enhancers)
 78. 'Survival-in-a-Can' (MRE, etc.)
 79. Woolen clothing, scarves, ear-muffs and mittens
 80. Boy Scout Handbook, also Leaders Catalog
 81. Roll-on Window Insulation Kit (MANCO)
 82. Graham crackers, saltines, pretzels, Trail mix and Jerky
 83. Popcorn, Peanut Butter & Nuts
 84. Socks, Underwear, T-shirts, etc. (extras)
 85. Lumber (all types)
 86. Wagons & 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 (for barter - don't smoke!)
 94. Wine/Liquors (for barter & medicinal)
 95. Paraffin wax
 96. Glue, nails, nuts, bolts, screws, etc.
 97. Chewing gum and candies
 98. Atomizers (for cooling and bathing)
 99. Hats, caps & cotton neckerchiefs
 100. Goats and chickens

It would be impossible to make a list that would apply to everyone equally. An example is Item 100. Obviously, if you are living in a small apartment, you might create a problem when you started stocking up on goats and chickens!

Many such suggestions would only apply to those living in situations and areas where it would be feasible and practical.

If only you find a couple of items of which you hadn't thought, you have moved in the right direction.
