

ADVENTURE RACING WORLD SERIES MANDATORY EQUIPMENT LIST

The AR World Series members using this list have collectively agreed on standard mandatory equipments, and definitions of this equipment, that individuals and teams must carry while participating in an AR World Series adventure race. They have also agreed on the rational and logic for the inclusion of items on this list. Additional items may be added by race organisers where they are specific to their location, conditions or laws of the host country.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ASSUMPTIONS - You and your team together are responsible entirely for carrying suitable and appropriate equipment, clothing and sustenance for the climate, conditions and activities in the event. This Mandatory Equipment List is NOT a list of the only items you should take. It contains the mandatory items that you and your team must carry with you, at specified times, to meet minimum safety requirements by law, prevent and/or treat SOME potential injuries, and short term survival purposes (for example a seriously injured team member, in a stationary position, overnight in bad weather). It assumes your team members will NOT separate during the race and that you may share between members the mandatory equipment that must be carried. You will certainly need additional equipment, clothing, food and drink for your participation in the event.

RECOMMENDED AND INFERRED ITEMS

The following items, categories of equipment or related items, are either strongly recommended by organisers, or assumed to be an inferred requirement as competitors must have an understanding of adventure racing, the activities they will be participating in, and general outdoor adventure knowledge and experience.

- > Backpacks and water carrying containers/ bladders/ bottles.
- Foods and sustenance, sufficient until the next re-supply, including quantity for unexpected circumstances.
- Personal race clothing and footwear suitable for extreme conditions (including accessories such as hats/loves, eye protection, watch/altimeter as required and clothing for water activities such as wetsuits).
- Cycle repair kit (including pump, tubes, tools and spare parts).
- Waterproofing/ dry bags to keep personal and team equipment as dry as necessary.
- Water purification device or chemicals to avoid illness from drinking contaminated water.
- Personal medications (not in contravention of anti-doping rules) permitted analgesics, therapeutic medicines, medical insurance certificates, allergy or illness identification tags, sun protection creams.
- Money/ Credit card, personal identification card/ Passport, immigration or visa certificates.
- Additional and back up Mandatory/ Recommended and Inferred items in re-supply boxes as permitted.

RULES - As a competitor in the AR World Series event using this list, you and your team are required to carry the mandatory equipment items with you at the specified times. Checks of mandatory equipment may occur during the race and missing equipment may result in penalties or disqualification as per the race rules. If any items are used/consumed/lost during a leg, they must be replaced at the next transition point.

The mandatory equipment is divided into two categories, equipment you and your team must carry at ALL times, and equipment you and your team must carry during a specific DISCIPLINE.

PROHIBITED ITEMS - Prohibited items are outlined in the ARWS Rules of Competition https://arworldseries.com/resources/ There are specific rules on items containing GPS, communications/ internet capabilities and items that could potentially assist with navigation.

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Yes/No	Name	Image	Quantity	Description	
√	Official Race Bib (Vest/ Jersey/ Bib)	App. SEP WIDO	1 x per competitor (no share)	The official race bib must be worn by each competitor at all times as the outermost garment. Vest/packs that cover the front of the bib are not permitted. Race bibs are provided by the race organisers.	
✓	Whistle	Mark Control	1 x per competitor (no share)	Each competitor must carry at all times a whistle that is pea-less and functional in wet conditions. It must be easily accessible at all times to sound an alert if required.	
√	Light Source (Headlamp)		1 x per competitor	Light source (such as headlamp), waterproof with the required batteries for the section of the race. Different light sources may be used in different disciplines e.g. headlamp, cycle lights.	
✓	Shell Layer Top (Jacket)	Å	1 x per competitor	The shell/ outer layer jacket must be waterproof, windproof, breathable as specified by the manufacturer. Jacket must have hood, seams tape sealed and suitable for potentially extreme conditions in an adventure race.	
X	Shell Layer Bottom (Pants)	A	1 x per competitor	The shell/ outer layer pants must be waterproof and windproof as specified by the manufacturer. Pants must be suitable for potentially extreme conditions in an adventure race.	
X	Mid Layer Top (Fleece)		1 x per competitor	The mid layer top is used between the baselayer and Shell layer to provide additional insulation in cooler conditions. Long sleeve top of synthetic or wool fabric. Mid weight (greater than baselayer), moisture wicking/quick drying. Top may be carried or worn. When tested on scales the weight of the top must be 175 grams or greater.	
✓	Baselayer Top		1 x per competitor	Long sleeve, close fitting top of synthetic or wool fabric. Lightweight, moisture wicking/ quick drying, and worn next to your skin. Top may either be carried or worn.	
✓	Baselayer Legs (Leggings/ Tights)	W	1 x per competitor	Long leg, close fitting bottom of synthetic or wool fabric. Lightweight, moisture wicking/ quick drying, and worn next to your skin. Bottom may either be carried or worn.	
✓	Baselayer Head (Beenie)		1 x per competitor	Beanie (or Buff) must be close fitting and of synthetic or wool fabric. Lightweight, moisture wicking/ quick drying, and worn over your hair/skin. Beanie may either be carried or worn.	
✓	Survival Blanket (Space Blanket)		1 x per competitor	Sheet or bag of material coated in a metallic reflective agent. Used in emergencies to reflect heat. Can be used to counter hypothermia, but also provide shade or aid in visibility. (note bags can deteriorate over time).	
✓	Magnetic Compass	6	2 x per team	Quality compasses for accurate navigation. Compass must have a needle balanced to the magnetic zone of therace. Watch compasses do not meet these requirements.	

✓	Course Information and Maps		1 x per team	Course maps, course notes and passport/ control card, provided by organisers, appropriate for section of the race teams are completing. Adequate waterproofing e.g. laminated or waterproof paper, clear adhesive(Contact) or waterproof map bag.
✓	Fire Starting Device		1 x per team	Waterproof matches, gas lighter, flint and steel are all acceptable fire starting devices.
✓	Knife		1 x per team	Minimum blade length 50mm and sharp enough to cut rope or webbing in an emergency. Folding blade for safety. Must be easily accessible while kayaking.
✓	First Aid Kit	+ FIRST AID	1 x per team	First Aid contents specified separately. Must be contained in waterproof bag.
✓	Strobe Light		1 x per team	Must be flashing white light 360 degree visibility, waterproof to 1m or greater, rated for visibility beyond 1nm (1.9km) and with charged batteries. Normal flash rate 60 per minute. Can be used in an emergency situation (on both land and sea) to alert others to your location. Headlamps or cycle lamps that flash are not acceptable.
X	Sleeping Bag / Bivy Bag		1 x per competitor	Full length sleeping bag or heat reflective breathable bivy sack. (not enclosed survival/space blanket) When tested on scales the weight of the bag must be 150 grams or greater. Primary purpose is warmth.
X	Emergency Shelter (Tent or Bothy Bag)		1 x per team	TENT - Must have sewn in floor and minimum floor area of 2.5m² or 27ft². Tent design must include poles. All the required poles, pegs, ropes etc must be carried with the tent. Must be suitable for potential conditions of the race. or BOTHY BAG - Single Bothy bag rated for 4 people (not e.g. 2 x 2 person bags) made from waterproof & windproof material and containing air vents. When tested on scales the weight of the bag must be 400 grams or greater.
✓	Cell Phone		1 x per team	Cell phone with fully charged battery, turned off and sealed in opaque and waterproof bag/container for emergency use only. Expedición Guaraní will provide the phone with a local SIM card to foreign teams.
✓	GPS Tracker/ Emergency Communications		1 x per team	Specific device provided by race organisers. Must be carried and used in accordance with direction of race organisers.
✓	Digital Camera	LUMEX	1 x per team	Camera or electronic recording device (e.g. video camera), waterproof, shockproof with charged battery. Used to photograph in case of missing checkpoint. May also be used for general photography (at risk of having flat battery when needed).

	ALL TIMES - MOUNTAIN BIKE DISCIPLINE - EG 2018			
	Name	Image	Quantity	Description
✓	Mountain Bike	00	1 x per competitor	Mountain Bike appropriate for adventure racing. No road or cyclocross bikes.
\checkmark	Helmet		1 x per competitor	Cycle helmet with an approved safety standard certification. (e.g. CE, UIAA or country equivalent)
✓	Front Light	17.05	1 x per competitor	Front facing white light. May be head or handlebar mounted.
✓	Rear Light		1 x per competitor	Rear facing red light. Must be mounted on the bicycle. Recommended spare rear light is carried amongst team.

	ALL TIMES - KAYAK DISCIPLINE - EG 2018			
	Name	Image	Quantity	Description
√	Personal Flotation Device (PFD/ Lifejacket)		1 x per competitor (no share)	Correctly sized for the competitor and must meet safety standards of the country of the race. Worn at all times while kayaking. Inflatable type vests not acceptable. Foam deteriorates over time and loses buoyancy. Organisers may have specific tests in place to ensure buoyancy meets required standards and laws.
✓	Whistle	The state of the s	1 x per competitor	Must be attached to the PFD/ Lifejacket.
✓	Paddle		1 x per competitor	
✓	Helmet		1 x per competitor	Organiser to specify if river helmet is mandatory for any white water rivers, or if cycle helmet is acceptable. Worn as directed by race organisers.
✓	Kayak/ Canoe	The state of the s	as per race organiser	Supplied by race organisers (unless notified otherwise).
√	Throw Bag Rope		1 x per boat	Rescue device with length of rope stuffed loosely into a bag so it can pay out through the top when thrown to a person. Minimum rope length 10m/ 30ft. Also useful for towing other kayaks in emergency.
✓	Illumination (Glow Stick/ Chemical light)	â	1 x per competitor 1 x per boat	One glow stick (100mm) attached to PFD in a highly visible position at all times (i.e. shoulder position). One glow stick attached to kayak (bring cable tie). Glow sticks must be glowing when dark. Multiple sticks may be required, bring spares.

	FIRST AID KIT - ALL TIMES - ALL DISCIPLINES – EG 2018			
	Name	Image	Quantity	Description
✓	Bandage (Elastic/ Crepe)		2m long x 7.5cm wide	Total length of bandage is minimum of 2 metres and minimum width is 7.5cm un-stretched. Multiple bandages are permitted. Used to create localised pressure to site of injury or wound.
X	Triangular Bandage	A STATE OF THE STA	1 x	This bandage in shape of right angle triangle can be used to make a sling, as normal bandage and other applications.
✓	Wound Dressing (Sterile)		2 x	Dressing minimum dimensions 7.5cm x 7.5cm each. Applied to wound to prevent further harm and promote healing. Self adhesive or used in conjunction with a bandage. Gauze dressing with nonstick film recommended.
✓	Strapping Tape (Adhesive/ surgical tape)	6	1 x	One roll of strapping tape. Can be used to secure bandages or dressings and in improvised splints.
✓	Antihistamine (strong)	233	4 x adult doses minimum	Antihistamine tablets inhibits the action of histamines and can be taken in event of allergic reaction.

Recommended Items - Additional first aid items that are highly recommended include (not in contravention of anti-doping rules) analgesics, anti-inflammatory, electrolyte replacement, anti diarrheic, disinfectant and antiseptic solutions/creams, blister treatment, CPR face shield, medical gloves.

/	SPECIFIC ITEMS FOR EXPEDICIÓN GUARANÍ 2018			
Required Discipline	Name	Image	Quantity	Description
Kayak sections	Strobe Light	E	1 x per boat	Must be flashing white light 360 degree visibility, waterproof to 1m or greater, rated for visibility beyond 1nm (1.9km) and with charged batteries. Normal flash rate 60 per minute. Can be used in an emergency situation (on both land and sea) to alert others to your location. Headlamps or cycle lamps that flash are not acceptable
Ropes sections	Climbing harness		1 x competitor	Must be competitor sized
Ropes sections	Helmet		1 x competitor	It may be the same helmet used in bike sections
Ropes sections	Climbing sling	emath.	2 x competitor	Sewn, not knotted (ApprovedCE). One of them, of 120cm.
Ropes sections	Locked carabiner		3 x competitor	(ApprovedCE)
Ropes sections	Pair of leather gloves		1 x competitor	Must cover the whole hand. It may be the same golves used in bike sections but with leather palms
Ropes sections	Belay device	8	1 x competitor	8 or ATC belay device
Trekking discipline	Rope		1 x team	8mm rope of minimun 10m in length for one of the trekking sections
Transition Areas	Tie downs		2 x competitor	Tie downs to secure re-supply boxes before leaving transition.

PROHIBITED ITEMS	
GPS devices	Includes devices that show your position, display maps, distance travelled etc (excludes GPS trackers provided by the organisers)
Distance measuring devices	Such as foot pod accelerometers and pedometers. (cycle computers exempt)
Mobile phones, radios, other communications or internet access devices	Excluding the compulsory emergency phone sealed prior to the race
Maps other than those provided by the organisers	Specifically from race start to crossing the finish line.
Firearms, night/ nocturnal vision devices.	

QUESTIONS CLARIFIED:

- Q. Am I required to carry an additional baselayer top or bottom if I am wearing them during the race? NO.
- Q. Does a cycle top and arm warmers (or cycle tights and leg warmers) meet the requirement for baselayer top and baselayer bottom? YES
- Q. Can a team mate carry my backpack? YES however each competitor must always wear their race bib and carry a whistle.

