For the purposes of the Advanced CERT Academy, it is recommended (not mandatory) that each participant bring the following items:

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Cutting: Fix blade knife or pocketknife (optional folding saw and or hatchet)

Combustion: lighter, ferro rod, fire starters

Cordage: 5/50 paracord, bank line, etc

Container: Cook pot or stainless-steel water bottle (Nalgene water bottle, camel back etc)

Cover: Tarp or military style poncho

Compass: basic orienteering compass (optional – GPS device)

Candling: flashlight or headlamp (mandatory)

Cargo Tape: any kind of duct tape

Canvas Needle: this is a heavy-duty sewing needle for leather or heavy canvas

Cloth: climate appropriate clothing (optional – bandana, kravat, shemagh, wool blanket etc). Water-activated cooling towel, Extra Socks (Wool is best material for keeping feet dry)

Care: First aid kit (IFAK) Sunscreen & Insect Repellant, Safety Glasses (Clears & Sun), Work Glove

Communications: Radio, signal panel, whistle, etc.

Additional items to consider:

- Snacks
- Water
- Notebook with pen/pencil
- Recharging brick with cables for your electronics
- Rain gear
- If you have special dietary needs, food that you require

Also, it is a good idea for each participant to bring their CERT bags with all issued equipment as some of the items are useful (e.g., leather gloves, yellow safety vest etc...).