

B2OSH Pack list advice

- 1) take out your wallet and make sure your medical is up to date, as is your BFR--if not--take care of it NOW instead of the week before airadventure.
- 2) if there is ANYTHING that needs to be done to your plane----get it done now----annuals and little things can sometimes turn into long waits to get fixed (remember last year when it took me 3 weeks to get a boost pump fixed----almost didn't make Oshkosh.) Also--it will give you a chance to put some time on it to make sure its fixed.
- 3) mark the date on your calendar--July 25 - 31--couple of days earlier if going with B2OSH or camping with the group.-----make sure you don't have a big deal going just before you leave----don't want you stressed or tired on the way up .
- 4) even if you are going with the B2OSH group---you need to download the special Notom---read over it several times in the next 2 months--click below http://www.airventure.org/flying/2011_notam.pdf
- 5) if you are married----start putting Cash away for the trip---that way your wife won't know what it REALLY cost to go to Oshkosh <g>
- 6) find your tie downs--make sure they are in good shape--include a hammer, extra stakes and camp rope--does not hurt to have one extra tie down in case you break one or want to secure the front gear during a storm.
- 7) cut three 1X 8 boards--- 18 to 20 inches long---these will go under the tires when you first park--will keep your plane from sinking into the ground and making it hell to get out--also include some chocks to make sure plane does not roll off of boards
- 8) find your plane cover if you have one---take it out and make sure you have the straps, etc---place in bag and place it next to tie downs
- 9) either place your tow bar with the boards and tie downs---or if you are going to be using it---place a BIG note on top of the bags to remind you to not forget it.
- 10) if you do not have 2 pairs of comfortable walking shoes--or yours are about worn out----now is the time to buy a new pair and start breaking them in.--Plus--if every time you look in a mirror---you think you are seeing Dr Evil <g>---it means you are too damn fat---start getting in shape for all that walking at Oshkosh.
- 11) Pack List:
 - a. Ice chest or folding soft side cooler for beer <g>
 - b. tent--if new --set it up and get it wet
 - c. inflatable camping mattress
 - d. inflatable pillow or normal pillow
 - e. sheets, blankets or light sleeping bag
 - f. canopy for shade

- g. plastic tarp
- h. small bucket and sponge
- i. garbage bags
- j. paint brush or small broom to sweep out tent
- k. clothes pins and camping cord
- l. folding chairs
- m. small aluminum folding table
- n. large hat
- o. sun block--higher the rating the better
- p. several pairs of sunglasses
- q. back pack
- r. water bottle
- s. rain jacket or poncho
- t. cell phone and charger----see note at bottom
- u. digital camera and charger
- v. air band radio
- w. knife
- x. mosquito repellent
- y. lip balm
- z. several ink pens and paper notebook - for seminars, parts, etc

12) Now--this is important----take your cell phone and copy all your REALLY important numbers down on a piece of paper. that way---if you loose your cell phone or it craps out on you----you will be able to borrow someone's phone and make those important calls----hell--I can't even remember my home phone number anymore <g>

13) start making a list of things you want to see and buy----mark off each item when you do it-----seems like every year I get home and say ___SH&%---I was going to check on that and forgot.

14) More Pack List:

- a. camping lantern
- b. portable fm/weather band radio
- c. flashlight and or head light
- d. duct tape
- e. disposable plates, cups and utensils
- f. toilet paper
- g. mirror
- h. scissors
- i. zip lock bags and paper towels
- j. alarm clock
- k. basic tools

- l. baby wipes and hand soap
- m. shaving kit, tooth brush and paste, shampoo, etc
- n. several towels
- o. sandals
- p. OTC medications and any LEGAL drugs you normally take
- q. blister pads and First aid kit
- r. aluminum foil
- s. extra batteries
- t. depending on how well you sleep----with more people using generators, Al Snoring, kids crying in the next tent, etc---ear plugs can make a BIG difference in how well you sleep.
- u. Optional---small propane stove , pots and pans for making coffee and cooking
- v. Clothes---shorts, t-shirts, socks, underwear, etc
 - i. throw in a couple of extra days of clothing in case you get stuck in weather----also put them in a waterproof container-----a BIG rain storm can get things wet----even inside the tent.
 - ii. Also throw in some cool weather stuff----its been known to get down into the 40s at Oshkosh .
- w. pack some snacks and water in the plane----will keep you going until you can make a run to the grocery store at Oshkosh

that's about it---some people will want more stuff--some less---this is just a general guide. Good luck---fly safe---if you have bad weather--sit it out---I'll have a cold beer for you when you get there.

Kevin