

The Day-Of Emergency Kit Checklist

The kit that actually gets used — from a team that films weddings across the Inland Northwest.

We've watched every small disaster you can imagine — and watched a prepared maid of honor fix it in under two minutes. Pack this the week before, hand it to your most organized person, and forget about it.

FASHION FIXES

- ☐ Safety pins, every size — the most-borrowed item at every wedding we've filmed
- ☐ Mini sewing kit (white, black & ivory thread)
- ☐ Fashion tape — strapless dresses & gaping shirt plackets, solved
- ☐ White chalk — covers dress marks on camera better than anything
- ☐ Tide pen + white cloth
- ☐ Lint roller — black suits collect everything, and it shows in 4K
- ☐ Clear nail polish — stops a tight's run, re-sets a button thread
- ☐ Small scissors
- ☐ Spare cufflinks + backup boutonniere pins
- ☐ Flat shoes or flip-flops for the reception

BEAUTY TOUCH-UPS

- ☐ Blotting papers — forehead shine is the #1 thing we fix in grading
- ☐ Setting spray + the actual lipstick shade being worn
- ☐ Pressed powder in the bride's shade
- ☐ Bobby pins & clear elastics — double what you think
- ☐ Travel hairspray
- ☐ Q-tips & makeup wipes — happy tears are guaranteed; smudges aren't
- ☐ Nail file
- ☐ Hand mirror — six people, never enough mirrors
- ☐ Tweezers

HEALTH & COMFORT

- ☐ Ibuprofen and acetaminophen — both
- ☐ Band-aids, incl. blister bandages — new shoes + dancing, every time
- ☐ Antacids
- ☐ Allergy meds — June by the lake means pollen
- ☐ Electrolyte packets or a sports drink
- ☐ Granola bars or crackers — shaky hands show up in the ring exchange
- ☐ Straws — hydration without wrecking lipstick
- ☐ Eye drops
- ☐ Tissues, stashed everywhere — front row, best man's pocket

PAPER & LOGISTICS

- ☐ Printed day-of timeline — phones die; paper doesn't
- ☐ Printed vendor contact list, with cells
- ☐ Printed vows & toasts — we've filmed a toast read at 4% battery
- ☐ The rings' designated adult, in writing
- ☐ Phone chargers + charged power bank
- ☐ Cash in small bills — tips & surprise deliveries
- ☐ Extra copies of the DJ's must-play / do-not-play list
- ☐ Marriage license reminder taped inside the lid — nothing else here can fix this one

WEATHER — INLAND NW EDITION

- ☐ Sunscreen, non-greasy — August at the lake is beautiful and it is 95°
- ☐ Clear umbrellas — June rain moves fast, and clear ones look great on camera
- ☐ Extra pins + strong-hold spray — lake wind takes hairstyles with it
- ☐ Pashminas or wraps — it drops hard after sunset, even in July
- ☐ Handheld fans for an August ceremony
- ☐ Bug spray, unscented — dusk by the water belongs to the mosquitoes
- ☐ Towels — dew-soaked chairs & one memorable dock photo

THE STUFF NOBODY THINKS OF

- ☐ Super glue — heels, cake topper, headpiece; it's saved all of them on film
- ☐ Steamer or wrinkle-release spray — creases read loud on video
- ☐ White gaffer or duct tape — hems, cords, arch decor rebellion
- ☐ Extension cord + power strip — two outlets, eleven people
- ☐ Stain-free white snacks only near the dress
- ☐ Deodorant, travel size, both kinds
- ☐ Breath mints — the first kiss is closer-up than anyone remembers
- ☐ A big trash bag — instant dress protector for a muddy field walk
- ☐ Ziplock for the groom's pocket dump — keys ruin a suit line
- ☐ One calm person assigned to own this kit — it only works if everyone knows who has it