

# Everyday Carry Gear:

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# Special Report

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Dear Friend,

The fact is, having the right gear in your car, in your laptop bag, or on your person could save your life in an emergency...

And even in a non-emergency the right gear makes life a heck of a lot easier. Right now, I'd like to share with you my everyday carry gear — the 11 items I carry with me anytime I leave the house.

- 1. A Gun** — Unless I'm going to a place where I can't carry a gun (the post office, a courthouse, the state of California) I've always got a gun on me. I have four guns in my current carry rotation. These include a Glock 19, Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm, Ruger LCP, and Smith & Wesson model 642 revolver.
- 2. A Knife** — Just like I mentioned about my gun, I'm always carrying a knife on me, unless I'm in a place it's illegal, such as on an airplane. I have a few different knives that I carry, and these include a Benchmade 9100, SOG Flash, and Kershaw Vapor II. I also have my credit card knife with me wherever I go.
- 3. Lock Pick Set** — I carry a credit card size lock pick set in my wallet at all times. Once you learn how to pick locks (which I teach during my *Spy Escape & Evasion* course) you'll be amazed at how often you put this skill to use. (It's saved me a number of times.) Also, because I get this question often, lock pick sets are TSA approved and you can carry them on airplanes, which I always do.
- 4. Cell Phone** — I don't need to explain this one too much. It's common sense to have a cell phone on you in case there's an emergency... just make sure yours is always charged.
- 5. Bobby Pins** — Bobby Pins are used to escape handcuffs and to pick locks. I carry at least two Bobby Pins everywhere I go, and in the *Spy Escape & Evasion* course you learn exactly how to use these to quickly escape danger.

6. **Hair Barrette** — These are also used for escaping from handcuffs, and the hair barrette is my favorite tool to use in this situation. I carry two hair barrettes on me just like I do bobby pins.
7. **Parachute Cord Keychain** — On my keychain I have some paracord. During *Spy Escape & Evasion* you learn the amazing uses of paracord from simply tying objects together to escaping certain restraints.
8. **Handcuff Key** — I carry a handcuff key on my keychain just to make life a little easier if I was ever handcuffed. (I do have my bobby pins and hair barrettes too.)
9. **\$200 to \$300 in cash, including a \$100 bill** — If you ever find yourself in a tight spot, a little bit of cash could get you out of a major jam. Plus, being able to flash a \$100 bill will motivate a lot of people to help you out. During *Spy Escape & Evasion* I share stories about this and expand on the importance of carrying cash on you.
10. **Flashlight** — I have several pocket flashlights including the Olight T-10 and the Foursevens MiniX 123.
11. **Tactical Pen** — This is one of the most important self-defense tools that I carry on a daily basis. There are places I can't bring a knife or a gun, but my tactical pen goes everywhere with me. For full details about the tactical pen [click here](#).

Those are the items that make up my everyday carry gear. During the *Spy Escape & Evasion* course I teach, I share with you the other gear I use, including my laptop bag gear and the two survival kits I carry in my car.

Obviously, what you choose to carry daily is up to you and you can pick and choose from the list above to find what works best for you. But like I mentioned earlier, your everyday carry gear could save your life in an emergency so plan well and be prepared.

Stay safe,  
Jason Hanson