

Surfski Instructor Equipment List

Here is a list of equipment that should be carried by a surfski instructor when leading a group on open water such as San Francisco Bay or the Open Coast

<p><u>Life Jacket</u> (USCG Approved Type 3 or 5)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VHF Radio • Whistle • Knife • Compass (hand-held) • Flashlight/Headlamp/Light Stick • Strobe • 1 x Orange Smoke Flare • Personal Locator Beacon • Hydration Bladder • Energy Gels • Long Tow System (waist or deck mounted) <p><u>Deck Bag(s) / Hatch</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch (including group snack) • Water • Minor boat repair (bituthene/butyl adhesive tape) • First Aid Kit • Additional Flares (Rocket and Smoke) • Neoprene Gloves • Balaclava/Skull Cap 	<p><u>Deck Bag(s) / Hatch</u> (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Shelter • Survival Blanket • Extra Water • Dry Thermal Wear • Float Bags (hatch) <p><u>Boat</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leash • Chart/Map • Float Notes <p><u>Body</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wetsuit and Splash Jacket or Dry Suit • Thermal Layers • Booties (suitable for swimming and climbing on rocks)
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*Items in **RED** should be considered mandatory for the ACA Instructor Development Workshop / Instructor Certification Exam*