



## Mandatory Gear List

The following is the Mandatory Gear List for the LAKES12. It details the equipment runners will need and makes suggestions/recommendations on gear that may come in handy.

Our goal is not to have you carry loads of gear that you won't use, and have arduous gear checks just for the sake of having gear checks. But we have to balance this out with the fact that this is an off road run, some of it in remote country. It is this combined with our racing experience that has guided this gear list. Remember it is your responsibility to carry the 'right' equipment, clothing and supplies for this race. The 'right' piece of kit depends entirely on you. We strongly recommend that you give this serious thought and test gear out before race start.

There are 2 categories – 'Mandatory' and 'Recommended'. 'Recommended' means just that, and are based on our experience and knowledge of the region. Ultimately your call, though "damn fool if you don't" could apply. 'Mandatory' means you must have it and you won't be able to race without it.

If you have any questions about any items on the gear list, send us an email ASAP. We will not be flexible at rego and 'No!' these items are not open for interpretation. Remember, no one ever intends to have an accident, get lost or get injured, but it happens even to experienced runners. These items could save your life!

Okay, here's the list...

### Mandatory Gear

To be carried at all times during the race

- Race number (provided)  
This must be worn as the outer most layer, on the front and visible at all times.
- Timing Tag (provided)  
This is a disposable timing tag, which needs to be secured to the back of your backpack (a cable tie will be provided in your race pack).
- Minimum 2L of water capacity
- Whistle

- Windproof/waterproof jacket  
Must be waterproof, windproof, breathable as specified by the manufacturer, have hood, seams tape sealed and be suitable for potentially extreme conditions.
- Beanie or Buff
- Mobile Phone – fully charged with working sim card  
There is good mobile reception through the course. We strongly recommend you have a Telstra SIM card. If you need to buy a new phone or a pre-paid SIM card or borrow a phone, Telstra is preferable as it works on the majority of the course. Optus works on less and Vodafone is not a good option.

## First Aid

Must be in a waterproof bag/snap lock and have

- Emergency Space Blanket
- Compression Bandage 2.3m long x 7.5cm wide  
Total length of bandage must be 2.3m and width 7.5cm un-stretched. Multiple bandages are permitted.  
Used to create localized pressure to site of injury or wound.

## Is that it?

The gear list above is the minimum requirements for safe travel. You are free to bring any additional items you feel necessary. Remember it will be cool at the start.

## Recommended Gear

- Sunglasses
- 1 roll of strapping tape (Adhesive/ surgical tape)  
Can be used to secure bandages or dressings and in improvised splints.
- Lube & lots of it – trust us – this stuff could make the difference in your race
- Sunscreen
- Lip Balm
- Electrolyte replacement - take more than you think you'll need, then add ½ again + train on it so you are used to it