

# Checklist

## SUGGESTED CAR + CAMPING EQUIPMENT

### Car

- 3m flag pole
- 2 spare tyres (correct for the terrain)
- light globes
- air pump/spare compressor and tyre gauge
- 12 volt battery cell caps
- spinifex protection
- spare fan belt, radiator hoses, drive belts, CB aerial
- spare filters (fuel, oil, air) and filter removal tools
- spare fuses and spark plugs
- Bars leaks
- fuel tank and radiator putty
- coolant, engine oil, transmission oil
- receptacle to place used oils
- car manual
- fire extinguisher

Even if you don't know how to use / refit the spares there is high likelihood during the travel season that someone who passes by can help you as long as you have the right spare parts.

- recovery equipment, maps, compass, GPS
- jack and jack plate
- wheel brace
- tyre levers
- tow rope
- leather gloves
- D shackles
- winch and winch sling
- tree protector and blanket
- shovel
- snatch block and straps
- jumper leads (booster cables)
- 2 tyre tubes and tube mending kit

It is useful if someone in your team has experience and knowledge of using recovery equipment. Undertaking a 4WD course is highly recommended.

### Fuel

Allow 30-50% above normal fuel use due to sandy areas, laden vehicles and extended periods of driving in low range.

### Water

- 3-6 litres per person per day

### Tools

- spanners, multigrip pliers, screwdrivers
- pocket knife
- hammer, chisel
- axe, hacksaw, saw
- funnel
- valve tool
- digital voltmeter
- small grease gun
- jumper leads
- hose clips
- WD40
- wire and plastic ties
- chamois / cleaning rags
- welding rods
- duct tape and electrical tape
- 12 volt soldering iron & solder
- windscreen and temporary stick on patches

### Medical / Sun protection

- first-aid kit
- insect repellent
- hand cleaner
- hat, sunscreen and sunglasses
- long-sleeved shirts
- current first aid training

### Food

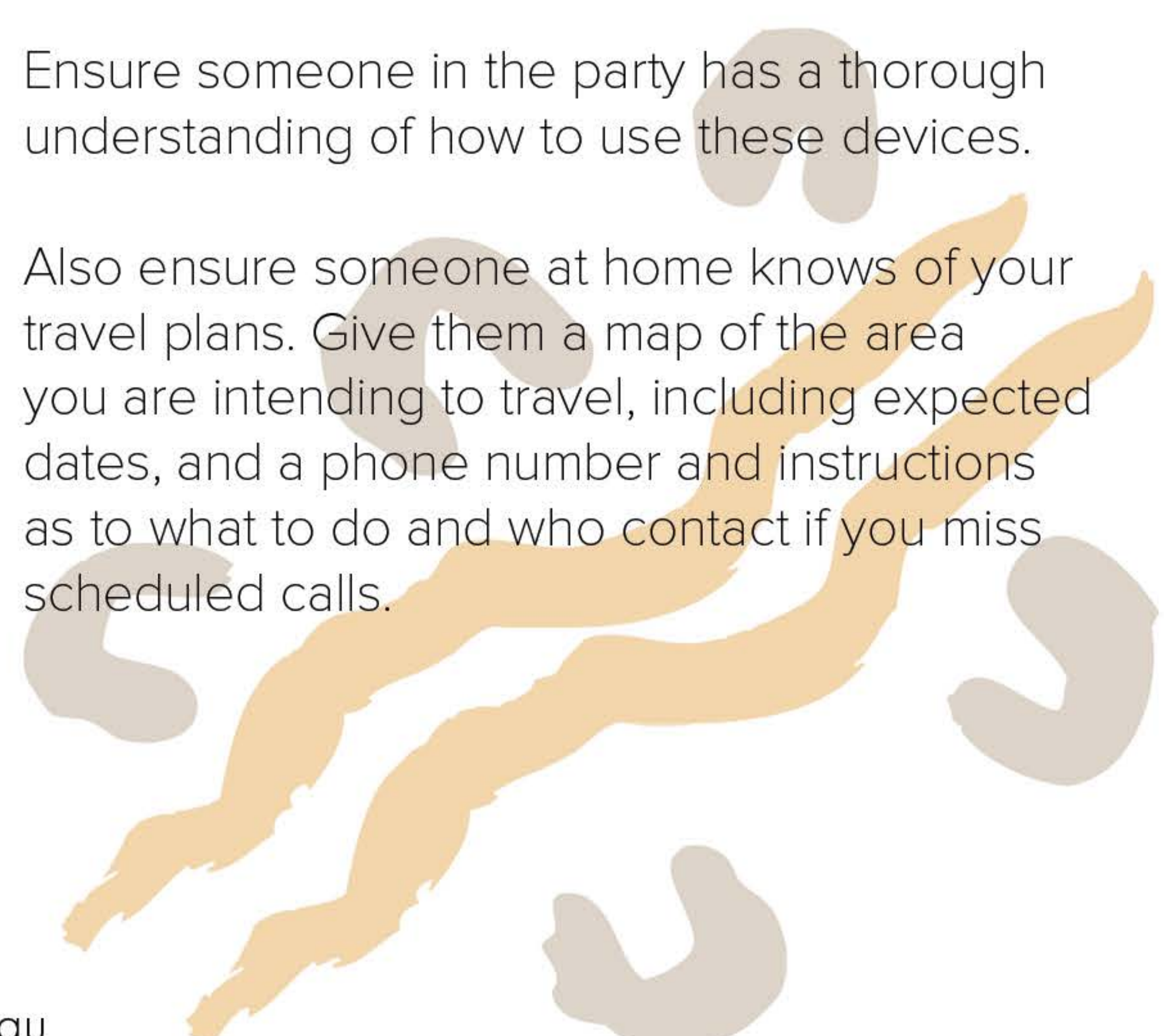
Always take extra food in case unforeseen circumstances arise and your journey takes longer than expected.

### Communication equipment

- satellite phone / HF radio
- UHF radio
- EPIRBs

Ensure someone in the party has a thorough understanding of how to use these devices.

Also ensure someone at home knows of your travel plans. Give them a map of the area you are intending to travel, including expected dates, and a phone number and instructions as to what to do and who contact if you miss scheduled calls.





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### Sleeping

- ground sheet, swag / beds / mattress
- tent and tent annexes
- lump hammer for tent pegs
- pillows, blankets / sleeping bags
- tent repair kit
- cooking / heating appliances i.e stove
- fuel / gas for cooking / heating appliances
- spare jets / mantles to fit appliances
- filler hose, funnel and siphon hose
- stove stand
- long tongs and eating utensils
- fridge
- solar panels
- connecting devices
- table and chairs
- cooking pots and pans
- storage containers, foil, glad wrap
- matches / lighters
- garbage bags

### Miscellaneous

- light / torch
- backpack
- portable toilet
- clothes line and pegs
- bucket
- environmentally friendly washing powder
- spare batteries
- mosquito net and coils
- rake

### Loading your vehicle

Loading your vehicle correctly can reduce the likelihood of an accident and reduce wear and tear on your vehicle.

The Australian National 4WD Council suggests drivers do not overload vehicles and / or roof racks or exceed the gross vehicle mass of the vehicle. Overloading your vehicle can nullify your insurance claim in the case of an accident, where overloading contributed to the event.

### Emergency supplies

Additional food and water for an extra week just in case! Unexpected rain, vehicle breakdown or illness can easily lead to you taking longer than you expected.

### When packing:

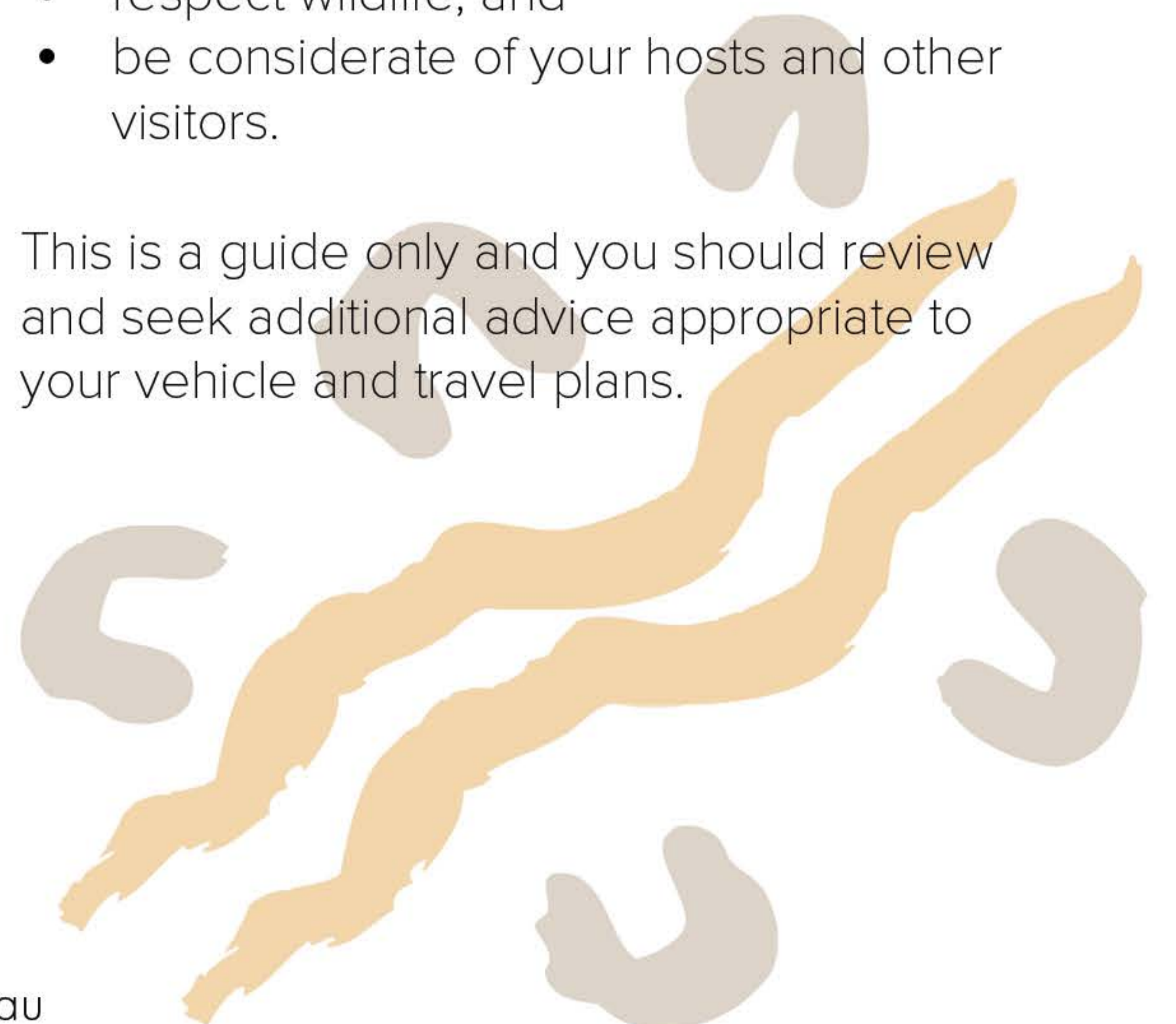
- place heavy items closest to the floor and secure them
- where possible, only place light items on the roof racks
- avoid point loading (e.g. placing jerry cans together)
- secure all equipment and luggage
- pack food in containers / boxes so they do not rub or rattle – this can cause them to rupture
- split your water and fuel requirements over more than one container and ensure containers do not rub against each other; and
- do not carry petrol inside your vehicle

### Don't forget:

During your journey along the Canning Stock Route, you will pass through amazing scenery and will possibly encounter wildlife such as emus, kangaroos, goannas, bush turkeys and other native species. We encourage all travellers to adhere to the seven principles formed by Leave No Trace Australia:

- plan ahead and prepare
- travel and camp on durable surfaces
- dispose of waste properly
- leave what you find
- minimise the impact of fires
- respect wildlife; and
- be considerate of your hosts and other visitors.

This is a guide only and you should review and seek additional advice appropriate to your vehicle and travel plans.





# Assistance

## DURING YOUR JOURNEY

### Breakdowns

With the right preparation, your trip should go relatively smoothly. However, if you do get into difficulty and your car breaks down it is important to remember some key points.

The Australian National 4WD Council suggests:

- never leave your vehicle. Use it for shade and shelter and remember – it is easier to locate a missing vehicle than a missing person
- use your satellite phone or HF radio to make contact with the outside world and let someone know your problems and your location
- conserve energy and remain in the shade
- distribute food and water sparingly
- if you are isolated, light a small smoky fire with green leaves during the day and a small bright fire with dry materials at night; and
- be prepared to wait!

If you have an EPIRB, you may activate it in an emergency. There are very costly penalties for triggering these devices in non-emergency situations.

### Police

Halls Creek 08 9168 9777  
Jigalong 08 9175 7545  
Newman 08 9175 4000  
Wiluna 08 9981 7024

### Western operations (24 Hour medical & emergency calls)

Emergency Services 000  
Statewide number (all WA bases)  
1800 625 800  
Satellite phones 08 9417 6389

### Road report

Main Roads WA 138 138

### Medical Assistance

In the event of a serious emergency or need for medical consultation, the Royal Flying Doctors Service (RFDS) Operations Centres across the country are available to handle telephone medical consultations and HF emergency calls.

These calls are switched to the duty RFDS medical officer who is nearest to the patient's location. If the RFDS medical officer determines that an evacuation is required, the operations centre duty coordinator will then task the most appropriate base that is not already flying.

Coordinators then arrange ambulance transfers for patients to the pick-up airport and from the destination airport to hospital. They will also arrange refuelling, airstrip lighting and vermin inspections and any other special requirements in support of crews.

There are airstrips near the track at Well 33, Parnngurr (Cotton Creek) and Billiluna community. Other airstrips are located at each pastoral lease to the south.

### Facilities and services

Balgo Community 08 9168 8900  
Billiluna Community 08 9168 8076  
Capricorn Roadhouse 08 9175 1535  
Carnegie Station 08 9981 2991  
Halls Creek Shire Council 08 9168 6007  
Halls Creek Visitor Centre 08 9168 6262  
Jigalong Community 08 9175 7020  
Kunawarritji Community 08 9176 9040  
Mulan Aboriginal Community 08 9168 8939  
Parnngurr Community 08 9176 9009  
Punmu Community 08 9176 9110  
Royal Automobile Club of WA 08 9421 4444  
Wiluna Shire Council 08 9981 8000

