

THE MODEL T FORD

ITS REPAIR, SERVICE, & RESTORATION

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What Tools and Supplies to Carry on Tour

Every Model T'er usually packs a tool kit and spare parts to carry on tours. Over time, the avid T'er will have on board a selection of tools, spares, and supplies to assist in repairs or to help out others. From past reviews, here is a helpful list of tools and supplies you may want to carry on the next tour. Of course, longer tours or long distance outings on your own may call for more spares. Other tools and supplies can be carried, along with the cell phone and AAA card for flat-bed towing if all else fails!

Tools

- Standard Ford tool set, as provided when car was new
- Open end/box end wrench set 1/4" to 11/8"
- Two screwdrivers in 6" and 10"
- 10" Crescent wrench
- Small pipe wrench
- ³/₈" socket set with ratchet handle
- 1/2" socket set with larger sockets & breaker bar handle
- Small hammer with drift/punch and chisel
- Various pliers and vise grips
- Electrical multi-tester with jumpers
- Small crowbar, valve spring compressor tool
- Putty knife
- Pocket knife
- Hacksaw and two blades
- Rear wheel puller or 'knock off' puller
- Jack with wood 2 x 4 for base
- Bicycle tire pump
- Tire pressure gauge
- Set of wheel chocks
- Rim jack for 21" rim
- Fire extinguisher
- Tow cable/strap



Supplies

- Spare ignition key
- Spare spark plugs, coils, timer, and timer parts
- Spare fan belt
- Spare lined band(s)
- Spare tire tube(s) or tube patch kit
- Spare tire(s)
- Short piece ¹/₄" rubber fuel line with two hose clamps to fit, and also a piece of ¹/₄" copper line and fittings to match the carb/shutoff valve/strainer bulb
- Short lengths of 14 gauge electrical wire
- Long nylon zip ties
- Spare headlight and tail/stoplight bulbs
- Water
- Gasoline
- Quart of oil
- Oil can with spout
- Pint of 600W
- Box or tin with assorted bolts/nuts/washers/cotter pins in Model T sizes and threads
- Spare lug bolt/nut, spare hub bolt/nut
- Spare valve spring retainer/pin, spare petcock
- Roll of brass and steel wire
- Roll of duct tape
- Roll of friction tape
- Rags and large towel
- Disposable gloves
- Hand cleaner
- Spare front wheel inner and outer bearing(s)
- Wheel bearing and grease cup grease
- Spare working NH carb
- Spare radiator cap and gasket
- #2 Permatex gasket cement
- Spare head gasket



The "Trusty Blue Box" helped a young driver in need!

On the recent Annual Tour in Boone, NC, my trusty blue box of simple hardware spares that I carried along helped young Becky Maasch from Larsen, WI, keep a Ruckstell shift linkage in play, which the driver found very necessary for the hills and back roads traveled. The rough washboard gravel roads had worked out the cotter pin from the clevis pin holding the shift rod to the Ruckstell arm on the rear axle, and that clevis pin was lost. Having a short 13⁄4"-long, 1⁄4" bolt and two nuts to act as lock fasteners, Becky's dad, Rob Maasch, got her red T Touring back on the road in no time using these spare bolts and nuts from my blue box!

So, plan on your next tour to be successful and remind yourself to pack up the proper tools and supplies you or others might need.



Becky Maasch and her dad, Rob Maasch, on the MTFCI tour in Boone, NC.





By Dan Treace Technical Editor **Aftermarket**

accessories from the

past, often found

on the Ford. Many

thousands of inventive

products were sold to

dealers and owners to upgrade, customize,

or improve over the factory parts...in most cases not so much!

Ford had acquired the Lincoln Motor Company, and this cap was sold as a bit of tongue-in-cheek fun. Placed on the radiator of the enclosed body Ford, you could have a low cost Lincoln!

Baby Lincoln Radiator Cap



The Baby Lincoln cap accessory was a favorite in the days of the Model T.