ITEM	Location/Notes
Tow Vehicle/ Packing List	
Flashlight (with spare batteries)	
Tire gauge	
Emergency blankets	
Jumper cables	
Lug wrench	
Flares and/or warning triangles	
Quick fix tire repair spray	
Extra engine oil and funnel	
Spare fuses	
Tool kit including a wire cutter	
Road atlas	
Tie-down cables	
Extra cash and credit card	
Checkbook	
Purse or wallet	
Water and snacks in cooler with ice	
Chapstick	
Tow chain	
Kleenex	
Wet wipes	
Knife	
First aid kit including aspirin	
Work gloves	
Emergency instructions stored in	
plain sight (in case you're in an	
accident and incapacitated, rescue	
workers will know who to call and/or	
how to care for your animals)	
Important paperwork (depending on	
your state and destination)	

R	Registration for truck and trailer	
Р	Proof of insurance for truck and	
t	crailer	
V	Written list of important phone	
n	numbers (e.g. vet, trainer, vet/barn	
а	at destination)	
P	Printed map of your route	
C	Certificate of Veterinary Inspection	
()	health certificate)	
P	Proof of negative Coggins (Equine	
lr	nfectious Anemia)	
В	Brand inspection	
H	Horse registration	
C	Copy of show test or pattern	
C	Copy of show class list and schedule	
S	Show rule book	
٨	Membership cards (e.g. AQHA)	
	Equestrian Insurance Card	
Н	Horse insurance paperwork (e.g.	
	iability, medical)	
٨	Map of destination trail system	
L	ist of trailer parking friendly gas	
S	stations, hotels, or rest stops along	
У	our route	
H	Horse care routine	
Т	Tow Vehicle // Pre-Trip Checklist	
D	Double-check packing list above	
٨	Maintenance up to date	
Т	Tires in good condition / check tire	
Þ	pressure	
S	Spare tire in good condition / check	
	tire pressure	
В	Brakes in good condition	
F	Fluids in good condition	

Headlights and brake lights	
Fill gas tank	
Check oil	
Test brake controller	
Turn on haul button (if your truck	
has one)	
Set / release parking brake	
Lock / unlock doors	
Horse Trailer // Packing List	
Spare tire / jack	
Wheel chocks	
Safety ties (learn how to use	
them here)	
Flashlight (with spare batteries)	
WD-40	
Rope	
Knife	
Water / tank (5-20 gallons)	
Hose	
Electrical tape / duct tape	
Spare light bulbs	
Muck bucket	
Pitchfork / shovel / broom	
Bleacher seat / chairs	
Fire extinguisher (check pressure)	
First aid kit	
Toilet Paper	
Extension cord	
Scissors	
Shovel (winter)	
Sand (winter)	
Candle and matches or lighter	
(winter)	
Tire chains (winter)	

Purchase / set aside bag of shavings	
Horse Trailer // Pre-Trip Checklist	
Double-check packing list above	
Secure anything stored inside horse	
compartment	
Check brakes	
Check lights	
Trailer hitch check (inc. chains)	
Dirt swept out	
Mats clean	
No rattling / loose parts	
Tires in good condition / check tire	
pressure and lug nuts	
Spare tire in good condition / check	
tire pressure	
No sharp edges or wires	
Check for bees or wasps	
Check the partitions and all locks	
and bolts	
Fill / empty water tank	
Add shavings	
Hay nets are securely fastened	
Butt chains or bars are fastened	
All doors, windows, and gates are	
securely latched	
Open / close windows	
Open / close ceiling vents	
Lock / unlock doors	
Back truck until ball / hitch align	
Lower / raise hitch onto ball with	
crank	
Crank up / down trailer foot	
Lock down / up hitch ball / insert pin	

Attach / remove chains to each side	
of truck hitch	
Plug in / remove electric	
Affix emergency brake cord	
Tidy up cords/chains so they don't	
drag	
Add / remove wheel chocks	
Check under the trailer for objects	
and animals	
Trailer weight within limits	
Horse // Packing List	
Halter x 2 (one breakaway)	
Lead rope x 2	
Crop / whip	
Sheet, blanket, cooler, fly sheet (see	
our 14 favorites), and/or mask	
Leg wraps	
Shipping boots	
Hay (bring extra)	
Hay bag (slow feed net and bale	
storage)	
Leather Punch	
Cinch / girth	
Protective boots	
Bucket Hangers	
Feed (bring extra)	
Supplements	
Feed scoop (or pre-pack)	
Bedding (if needed)	
Water / feed buckets	
Grooming supplies	
Spare latigos / leather ties for saddle	2
Bathing supplies and sweat scraper	
Saddle	

Saddle pad x 2	
Breastcollar / martingale	
Crupper (if needed)	
Spare bit	
Bridle x 2	
Cross ties	
Neck strap (if needed for jumping)	
Trail halter (if needed)	
Check all tack for proper fit and	
safety / wear issues	
Medications	
Lunge line and whip	
Fly spray (see our 14 favorites)	
Earplugs (if needed)	
Head bumper (if needed)	
Treats	
Braiding kit	
Towels / rags	
Clippers (optional)	
Grooming sprays / hoof polish / spot	
cleaner	
Leather conditioner / cleaner / wipes	
Silver polish	
Bailing twine	
Saddlebags / horn bags	
Emergency hoof protection	
Hobbles	
Picket line	
Horse // Pre-Trip Checklist	
Double-check packing list above	
Once-over body check	
Standing wraps or travel boots (if desired)	
Swap to breakaway travel halter	
	Crupper (if needed) Spare bit Bridle x 2 Cross ties Neck strap (if needed for jumping) Trail halter (if needed) Check all tack for proper fit and safety / wear issues Medications Lunge line and whip Fly spray (see our 14 favorites) Earplugs (if needed) Head bumper (if needed) Treats Braiding kit Towels / rags Clippers (optional) Grooming sprays / hoof polish / spot cleaner Leather conditioner / cleaner / wipes Silver polish Bailing twine Saddlebags / horn bags Emergency hoof protection Hobbles Picket line Horse // Pre-Trip Checklist Double-check packing list above Once-over body check Standing wraps or travel boots (if desired)

Fly mask on (if desired)	
Offer water	
Offer salt	
Tie securely with quick-release	
trailer tie and/or breakaway halter	
Horse Rider // Packing List	
Cell phone	
Cell phone charger x 2	
Cell phone leg holster	
Helmet x 2	
Safety vests	
Compass (if needed)	
Show clothes	
Barn clothes	
Jacket / coat (weather dependent)	
Rain jacket (weather dependent)	
Layers, layers!	
Out and about clothes	
Belt(s)	
Baseball hat, cowboy hat, or visor	
Gloves (barn and show)	
Extra hair ties / bandana	
Neck gaiter	
Chapstick	
Riding boots	
Muck boots	
Everyday shoes	
Spurs	
Sunglasses	
Contact lenses / glasses	
Orange safety vest	
Camera and batteries	
Sunscreen	
 Hair ties	

Makeup bag / toiletries	
Sewing kit	
Cover ups for grooming	
Beverage with electrolytes	
Lint roller	
Safety pins	
Boots / socks	
Show pants/chaps	
Show coat	
Show shirt	
Boot pulls / jack	
Breeches / jodhpurs	
Undergarments	
Stock tie and pin (dressage)	
Show number pins / lapel pin	
Hair net / hair pins	
Watch (eventing)	
Knife	
Water, food, and snacks	
Medications	
Bug spray	
Medical ID bracelet	
Headphones	
Horse Trailering Tips	
Clean your trailer after every use.	
Regularly wash the interior and	
exterior of your trailer.	
Regularly check for rust, leaks, rot,	
or other structural issues.	
 Keep your hitch in good repair at all	
times.	
Maintain correct tire pressure.	

Schedule an annual maintenance	
appointment with a reputable	
service provider or dealer.	
Allow extra time for stops and rest	
breaks. (Every few hours is a good	
idea, and remember to offer your	
horse(s) water.)	
If hauling over 12 hours, break up	
your trip by staying overnight mid-	
way.	
Maintain a safe distance between	
you and vehicles ahead of you.	
Signal for turns earlier than you	
would driving without your trailer	

https://horserookie.com/packing-horse-trailering-checklist/