

Michael Keyworth, Safety-at-Sea Presenter distributed and discussed this List for the 2012 Safety-at-Sea Seminar in Newport, RI, as developed by Phil Garland of Hall Spars.

No tool list is ever complete, and all are ever changing. But this is a great place to start your rigging kit when you go offshore!

Offshore Rigging Equipment

In addition to the normal offshore tool kit the following items should be included in a Rigging Ditty Bag for normal running and standing rigging maintenance:

Marlinspike
Rigging knife
Splicing Fids and Pusher
Sharpening stone
Seizing wire
Assorted Cotter pins
Rigging Tape
Whipping Twine
Sailmaker's Needles
Small Vice Grips
Small Dyneema/Spectra Lashing lines, 3-5mm
Small Felco Wire cutters

For Going Aloft:

Bosun's chair with Safety Hook or Shackle
Lirakis or Climbing Harness
Canvas Bag for tools
Safety line to tie off to rig

Emergency Spares and Tools for rigging repairs:

Length of 1x19 Wire (length and diameter of longest stay or shroud)
Appropriate sized Norseman or Sta-Lok mechanical wire terminals
High Resistance D Shackles to fit tangs or chainplates for lashings
Cable Clamps
Hacksaw and blades (32 teeth/in high quality) for cutting rod
Hydraulic Wire Cutters like Huskie Model # S-16A or Felco Hand Cutter Tool
Long length of Dyneema line, 6mm or larger

For Cutting away Rigging in Dismastings

Battery operated Sawzall and 10 Carbide blades assorted other blades
Battery operated 4-5in blade circular saw with 5 metal cutting blades

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