



Melbourne's Award Winning Singing, Music & Entertainment School

## MUSICIANS CHECKLIST

### BASIC SET-UP

1. Instrument(s), cables, wiping cloth and any needed accessories your instrument needs.  
E.g., extra reeds for sax players, spare strings or sticks, etc.
2. Amp, if not acoustic
3. At least one extra instrument cable if playing an electric instrument
4. An extension cord, three prong adapter, junction box and a small flashlight
5. Any tools you use (screwdrivers, pliers, keyboard stand tighteners, drum key, etc.)
6. Instrument tuner
7. Extra fuses for your amp
8. Extra batteries if you use them
9. Extra strings if a string player with a wire cutter and extra picks if a guitarist or bassist
10. Effects units with all the cables if you're using these
11. Anything else you might need, i.e., a towel if you sweat a lot, a hygiene bag, umbrella, rain boots, musicians' earplugs for extremely loud music, etc.

### IF READING MUSIC

12. Music stand and a music stand light.
13. Clothespins or music stand clips for reading charts in windy areas (outdoors, rehearsal studios with big fans, stages with strong air conditioning, etc.)
14. Any music, fake books, or charts you might need for yourself or for someone else
15. Dark pencils, a thin black marker, and a red and/or yellow highlighter

### IF YOU ARE SINGING

1. Mic, cable and any adaptors you use and mic stand
2. Any lyrics you need in a lyric book and charts for the band if freelancing
3. Music stand, light, possibly some hand-held percussion

### IF YOU ARE THE BANDLEADER

1. At least one very long (300+ ft.) heavy-duty extension chord and a junction box
2. Duct tape for taping cords to the floor
3. Band sign, promo, business cards, contracts, information sheets, etc.
4. The P.A. with cables, mics and a, mp3 player, CD player or MD for playing music on

- breaks, lights if part of your gig
5. Anything else needed

### **OUTDOOR GIGS**

1. Sun block if skin is sensitive
2. Insect repellent if sensitive to bugs
3. Small cooler for liquids and snacks
4. Reflective cover for instruments and heat sensitive equipment
5. Warm coat, finger-tipless gloves and a sweater if cold weather
6. Hat and sunglasses, if sunny
7. Change of clothes and deodorant if very hot weather