

What's in the detector kit?

Before you visit your 1km-square, it is important to double-check that all the equipment is in the box.

You may want to print out our **equipment checklist** to help.





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Testing batteries:

- Testing one battery at a time, place the battery (located in a small box) into the slot on the **battery tester** by pushing the orange slider across to make room.
- Make sure the **positive and negative polarity is orientated correctly** by matching it with the diagram on the battery tester.
- Read the display, it should point towards “**Good**” in the green section, this means you have enough charge.
- If this is not the case, you will need to charge your batteries **before** you visit your survey square.
- To do this, plug the cable into the battery charger and connect it to a power source. Then insert the batteries into the slots and leave to charge, this may take up to six hours if the battery was very low.
- When charged **remove** all of the batteries from the charger and place back in the small box provided.
- **IMPORTANT-** you will only need four fully charged batteries to survey, if the others are low on charge, please recharge them along with the batteries you have used after the survey (see **Uploading Recordings** below).



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Checking the SD card:

- The SD card saves all of the recordings, it should have been emptied by the previous volunteer, but it is important to double check, as a full SD card will not record your data.
- To do this, **insert the SD card** (located in a small box) to the slot on your computer, or the SD card reader we have provided you with, which slots into your computer's USB port.
- Click on the SD card's folder and **delete any folders or files** in it. Then simply remove the SD card and place it back in the small box.
- If your box has a spare SD card, please ensure **both** have been emptied.