



ICP for the Rugged Outdoors

High-tech, mega-dollar command posts are nice. Some of them look like they could back up NASA's mission control. But emergency medicine also requires equipment that can operate on any terrain, sometimes even miles from the nearest paved road. If that's where your next large incident occurs, you'll wish you had Reeves' new Incident Command Post (ICP). Part trailer, part pop-up shelter, the ICP has 16" of ground clearance for traversing rugged surfaces. The Deployable Rapid Assembly Shelter (DRASH) has no loose parts to misplace and can be set up in 10 minutes after removal from its storage bag. This ICP offers multiple floor plans, and its optional interoperable communications equipment includes satellite communications, Internet access and integrated command and control systems.

VITALS

Weight: 2,200 lbs.
Trailer Length: 15' 6"
Trailer Width: 6'
Cost: \$36,000-\$40,000
800/328-5563
www.reevesems.com

Long-Lasting Brightness

Hopefully, you carry more lighting capability on you than just a \$1 disposable pen light. The Streamlight Scorpion, already a great light, has now been upgraded with C4 LED technology. The C4 LED provides 120 lumens, more than enough to light a room. The 3.5-hour run time (to 10% output) should last several weeks with the intermittent use most EMS calls require. The Scorpion is still packed with features, including a rubberized hand grip, a tailcap switch and an anti-roll head, as well as colored lens and a nylon holster.



VITALS

Length: 5.72"
Weight: 5.3 oz. (with batteries)
Cost: \$79.95
800/523-7488
www.streamlight.com

Powerful Lobster Claw

Treating and extricating a conscious patient impaled by rebar or a similar material has to be one of the most stressful rescues you can undertake. A torch could cut through but could burn the patient. Mechanical cutting tools would also work, but might place excessive vibrations or torque on the bar, causing the patient pain and more extensive internal damage. The Lobster Cordless Bar Cutter from Fascut Industries packs 20,000 lbs. of cutting force into a 14-lb. tool. It features a cutting head that can be rotated up, down or sideways to cut rebar in close proximity to a trapped victim, all without generating heat or throwing sparks. The Lobster will also make quick work of window security bars or locks when you need to make entry in a hurry.

VITALS

Weight: 14 lbs.
Dimensions: 18" x 3 3/4" x 7 1/2"
Cuts per charge: 40
Cost: \$1,615
608/643-6678
www.fascut.com



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