

## Ferret first-aid kits

Every Ferret was supplied with a first-aid box as part of the Complete Equipment Schedule (CES). This was the 'FIRST AID KIT, AFV and MT Large'. The RAMC resupply was NSN 6545-99-211-0682. This kit was kept in a [box stowed behind the driver's seat](#) on the floor pan and beneath the gunner's seat. The NSN for this first-aid storage box was 2540-99-815-7408.

The [external first-aid kit](#) was smaller. It had a resupply NSN 6545-99-211-1573, and was kept in an external bin on the [right-hand rear of the turret](#) or, in the case of the Mk1, on the [rear right-hand wheel mudguard](#) next to the exhaust fairing. This bin had an NSN 2590-99-866-2279. I bought an empty motorist's basic first-aid green 'grab bag' online for about £6, which can be stored out of the way but easily to hand in the fighting compartment, and filled it with:

- Boots finger bandage & applicator
- Boots pack of 20 washproof plasters
- Boots wound cleansing wipes
- Boots adhesive wound dressing
- Boots 5cm x 4.5m Crepe bandage BP with pin
- Joint services 10cm x 19cm sterile pad NSN 6510-99-210-7562
- St John Ambulance sterile No. 16 eye pad
- Irripod 20mL sterile saline eyewash pods - x5
- Boots 1.25cm x 5m microporous tape
- St John Ambulance 215cm x 50cm heat retaining blanket
- St John Ambulance nitrile powder-free gloves Large pair
- Medium-sized scissors 13cm long
- Small-sized saw-tooth locking forceps 19cm long



Dimensions: 14 cm wide, 21 cm deep  
12 cm thick, has belt loop & handle

I keep a larger first-aid kit in the external bin, and rather than use the original tin - which I didn't want to walk - I bought the Boots/St John Ambulance branded Complete first-aid kit from Boots as the most economical option, which costs £19.99. The advantage of this kit is that it is compressible into the external bin. It comes filled, and contains:

- Sterile Medical Wipes - x5
- Waterproof Plasters - x20
- Fabric Plaster Strip 6cm x 1m - x1
- Adhesive Wound Dressing 8cm x 6cm - x3
- Low Adherent Wound Dressing 10cm x 10cm - x5
- Crepe Bandage 7.5cm x 4.5m - x1
- Stretch Bandage 7.5 x 4m - x1
- Microporous Tape 1.25 x 5m - x1
- Safety Pins - x6
- Triangular bandage - x1
- Eye pad dressing - x1
- Eye Wash Phial 20ml - x1
- Burn Gel Sachets 3.5ml - x3
- Heat Retaining Foil Blanket - x1
- Instant Ice Pack - x1
- Emergency Face Shield - x1
- Nitrile Powder-Free Gloves Large - 2 pairs
- Splinter Remover - x1
- Tough Cut Scissors - x1



Dimensions: 30 cm wide, 19 cm deep, 11 cm thick

I also added 1 reel of 2.5cm x 4.5m Boots stretch fabric strapping; a Joint services 10cm x 19cm sterile pad NSN 6510-99-210-7562 and a Joint services 20cm x 19cm sterile pad NSN 6510-99-210-7563