



DJ / OWNER

DJ SURVIVAL GUIDE

EMERGENCY KIT

- Backup Music Source
- Extra Headphone Adapter
- Spare Cables (USB, RCA, Power)
- Backup USB Drives (2)
- Spray Deodorant
- Mints
- Business Cards
- Extra Headphones/Earbuds
- Mini Mixer (if possible)

ACTUAL EMERGENCY

- Stay calm
- Kill the music
- Listen to venue staff instructions

DRUNK GUEST

- Smile and stay calm
- Redirect
- Get help from staff

REQUESTS

- Use a clipboard
- Be polite
- Be honest about what you can do
- Don't judge

TROUBLESHOOTING

- Did You Just Do Something Dumb?
- Do You Have Power?
- Does Your Mixer Have Power? If Yes, Start Backup Music
- Do Your Speakers Have Power and Level?
- Does Your Laptop/Music Source Have Power?
- Is Your Music Source Actually Playing?
- Is the Line Level Turned Up?
- Can You Hear Music in Your Headphones?
- Is the Mixer Master Output Turned Up?

AVOID THEFT & DAMAGE

- Don't leave gear unattended
- Set up to avoid tripping and damage
- Keep drinks away from gear

ANGRY CLIENT

- Stay calm
- Let them get it all out
- Thank them
- Find a solution together

GETTING PAID

- In advance if possible
- Confirm payment before you perform
- Be polite but persistent
- Get paid as agreed or call the owner