

Key Documentation Required for an Equipment Claim

Document/Information	Why It's Critical	Tip
Police Report (for theft/vandalism)	Official record of the incident; often mandatory for theft claims.	File immediately and obtain a copy with a report number.
Detailed List of Lost/Damaged Items	Specifies what needs to be replaced/repaired, including make, model, serial numbers, and estimated value.	Maintain an updated inventory of all rented equipment throughout the production.
Photographs/Videos of Damage/Scene	Visual evidence of the loss and circumstances.	Take clear, comprehensive photos/videos from multiple angles as soon as safely possible.
Original Rental Invoices/Receipts	Proof of ownership (for rental house) and original value.	The rental house will provide this if needed for their claim or to establish value for your policy.
Rental Agreements/Contracts	Outlines terms of rental, responsibilities, and value of equipment; confirms you had legitimate possession.	Keep copies of all rental paperwork easily accessible.
Repair Estimates/Invoices	Substantiates the cost of repairing damaged equipment.	Obtain estimates from reputable repair services; keep invoices if emergency repairs were necessary.
Witness Statements (if any)	Corroborating accounts of the incident.	Collect names and contact details of any witnesses and ask for a brief written account if possible.
Completed Claim Form	The insurer's official document for initiating the claim.	Fill out accurately and completely, providing all requested details.
Communication Log with Insurer	Record of all interactions, dates, names, and summaries of discussions.	Helps track progress and ensures clarity if discrepancies arise.



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