5.11 Station Grip Glove Review

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When it comes to choosing the contents for a bug-out-bag or survival bag, many people overlook protective gloves, I think this is a big mistake! Your hands are vital for pretty much all survival tasks, if they get cut up, blistered and infected, you are in trouble. I also think it is important to consider than not all preppers are outdoors people with tough, rough hands that can take some abuse. Many preppers don't work in, or spend time in these environments, so they have softer hands which blister more easily etc. Don't underestimate the hindrance and pain that a handful of blister will cause...

With everything I purchase, I always try to find that balance between cost and performance/quality. If you want to add a pair of utility gloves to your kit, I highly recommend the 5.11 Station Grip gloves (click to view on 5.11 website); in this price range, I don't think they can be beaten!

**5.11 Station Grip Glove Specs**

- Four-Way Stretch
- Reinforced Palm and Fingers
- Padded Knuckles
- Elastic Wrist Closure
- Four-Way Stretch Back Panel
- Id Tag
- Cost: $27.99
For the price, these gloves are superb. The palm/fingers provide excellent grip and offer good protection from sharp objects. The back of the glove is breathable with nice comfortable padding which is effective, but unobtrusive. The elastic wrist closure is comfortable and fits very well. For a utility glove offering this level of grip and protection, the dexterity is outstanding, they are so flexible and comfortable, you forget you are wearing them.

I think the Station Grip gloves particularly excel when using tools such as knives, axes and saws etc, to carry out repetitive tasks. They provide good protection from blisters and the exceptional grip makes using these tools a whole lot safer, especially if it’s warm as there is no danger of tools slipping out of sweaty hands. I should also say that having used the gloves in warm weather, I didn't find my hands got too hot in them. The padded mesh on the back of the gloves is very breathable and lightweight. I also found that when they did get wet or sweaty, the gloves dried out very quickly.

One thing I did note about the gloves is I think they run a bit small. I have quite small hands and I usually take a medium in gloves, but I found the Station Grip gloves, in a size large, fitted perfectly. It may well be worth ordering a size up than normal, if you do order a pair.

**Conclusion**

In my opinion the 5.11 Station Grip gloves are perfect for bug-out-bags etc, they are affordable, dependable and they offer excellent protection for your hands in outdoor survival scenarios, both urban and wilderness. The 5.11 Station Grip gloves are in my bug-out-bag, I recommend you get some for yours too!

Don't underestimate the importance of adding a good quality pair of utility gloves to you kit, this is especially the case if you spend more time sitting in front of a computer, than you do working outdoors!