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Even though Field Day isn't a timed event, you should check or test all of you communication equipment long before the event. Why waste time during your setup period finding out what might be wrong with your equipment, and have to repair it.

Testing and repairing your equipment wastes time and energy during the event, and may make you too tired to operate in the event. Testing and repairing your equipment before your planned event will allow you to have it ready for any non-planned event such as emergencies and disasters. Testing and repairing your equipment may not take very long and you don't have to do it in a hurry, which leads to mistakes.

Plan ahead of testing and repairing by getting all of tools and test equipment ready before you start. Once your ready, test and repair your equipment, and mark and date when it tested and/or repaired. If it can't be fixed right away, mark and lay it aside to be repaired as soon as possible.

Remember, you may need some of your equipment before Field Day.

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