

Material for livestreaming

Technically, you only need a phone. But we're going to explain how you can make the whole experience more comfortable, especially if you're planning on livestreaming full days of action.

Phone

Before the action:

- install all the updates
- make sure you're logged into all the apps you'll need on the day
- fully charge your phone
- make sure you have enough data (or upgrade your plan), you'll roughly need 1GB per hour of stream
- charge your battery pack(s) and make sure your cables work

Headphones / Microphones

You don't have to use headphones or a microphone, but the sound might be better with them.

Use earphones with built in mic (when doing interview you can pass on the bit with the mic to the person you interview).

You can also use a microphone:

- A long cable one is a good option for interviews so you can be farer away from the person you're interviewing and still frame bits of the action
- Make sure to have a "windsock" to put on top and have a better sound (especially if it's windy where you are!)
- Test it at home before you go!

Gimbal / Stabiliser / Monopod

Not essential but can make the experience more comfortable and the image more stable.

Always try your material and train with it before the action (also make sure it's properly charged and that you have a spare battery pack for it if you're planning a long livestream)

Comfort

Having trousers or a jacket with pockets is super helpful to store your battery packs, cables, headphones... so they are easily accessible.

Check the weather in case you need a rain jacket or even an umbrella (not the most convenient but you don't want your phone to drown).

Bring some snacks and drinks.



On the photo above, you can see that the livestreamers have different levels of equipment, from a simple phone plugged into a battery pack, to a more professional setting with both a phone and a GoPro! What's important is having working order gears you know how to operate to show the world what XR is up to!
