



The Chicago School of Violin Making does not require that students purchase tools; however it is strongly recommended that you begin to acquire high quality, often-used tools as soon as possible. In order to assist you, the school has prepared a basic tool "kit" that you will be using early in the trimester (many on the first day). It is also easier to teach and demonstrate to the group if everyone has the same tools.

Please consider purchasing the tool kit as a unit. If you have some of the items, you may choose to purchase only those you need. The total cost of the kit is **\$440.00** and includes the following:

Ruler - Flex type, 30 cm long

Knives - Set of three: 1 - 1/2" (12 mm); 1 - 3/8" (8 mm); 1 - 1/4" (6 mm) - Hock

Files - Set of three: 1 - #0-cut hand file, 6"; 1 - #1-cut crossing hand file, 6";

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Steel Square - Engineer's type (10 cm x 7 cm)

Block Gouge - incannel, #8-sweep, 22 mm

Sharpening stones - Water based 1000/4000 combination grit

Straight Edge - 18 inch

Assorted scraper steel

Also required: Standard 20-degree angle block plane with an adjustable throat plate. (See attached letter.)

If you wish to purchase the tool kit please send a check or money order payable to:

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