

Resources for Tools, Equipment, Metal, and Components

The following resources are listed in no particular order. We've used them all at different times, and find the reputable to deal with. Some are more expensive than others. When there's pertinent information to share, we've done so. That said, we are not endorsing one over the other. Shop with care and a discerning eye.

Midwest Steel and Aluminum

<https://www.midweststeelsupply.com/>

Phone: 763-582-1925

One of the better vendors for steel and aluminum in terms of pricing. Great for projects where a there's time for planning and gathering of materials.

Coast Aluminum, Inc.

<https://coastaluminum.com/>

Phone: [425-547-5052](tel:425-547-5052)

These folks have locations in the western states, with a local presence in Kent. They specialize in aluminum and stainless steel.

Online Metals

<https://www.onlinemetals.com>

1138 West Ewing, Seattle, WA 98119

Phone: 800.704.2157

Online has a wide variety of stock with quick shipment. Great for when you need it in the next 2-3 days. Expensive for bulk orders, but good for small quantities.

McMaster Carr

<https://www.mcmaster.com>

This is probably the best online hardware store in the world, and their website is very useful. Technical data is available on most everything including 3D .step files (good for importing into Fusion 360 and other 3D imaging applications) for most all products. Their product line is truly amazing with parts, fasteners, raw stock, and much more. Order today and get it tomorrow; their pricing is not cheap.

Central Welding and Pacific Welding Supplies

<https://centralwelding.com>

200 Katy Penman Avenue, Bremerton, WA 98312

Phone: 360-373-2529

Good welding equipment vendor. Stocks steel and some aluminum. Mostly hot rolled angle, channel, flat bar, tubing and some sheet stock.

Alaskan Copper

<https://alaskancopper.com>

Phone: 206 623-5800

Everett Steel

<https://everettsteel.com>

3434 16th Ave W, Seattle, WA 98119
800-824-1601

Pacific Metals

<https://www.pacificmetal.com>

7416 S. 228th St. Kent, WA 98032-2930
Phone: 800-777-4544

Navy City Metals

<https://navycitymetals.com>

3805 State Highway 3 W, Bremerton, WA 98312
Phone: 360-373-6595

Go and see the old guy on the left side building. He will cut to size and the price has been good. Priced by the pound. They have 1-½ inch square and angle in stock in 20ft lengths.

Grizzly Industrial Tools

<https://www.grizzly.com>

This is a good resource for machinery and tools. Generally, their offerings are of good quality.

MSC Industrial Supply

<https://www.mscdirect.com>

This outfit specializes in cutting tools, hand and machine tools, measuring tools etc. They purchased ENCO which used to be a good resource for tools and machines.

Harbor Freight

<https://www.harborfreight.com>

They have low-cost tools and supplies of all kinds. Medium to low quality and prices to match.

GRAINGER

<https://www.grainger.com>

Industrial supplies like motors, electrical, tools, replacement parts, safety, signage etc.

eBay

<https://www.ebay.com>

You name it, you can probably find it. Caveat emptor!

Amazon

<https://www.amazon.com>

Applied Industrial

<https://www.applied.com>

Bearings, seals, motors, pneumatics, fluid controls, linear motion etc.

Automation Direct

<https://www.automationdirect.com/>

Very good vendor of controls and industrial control components. Helpful folks with a very good website. Recommended.