

## The Bear Notebook for THE BEAR LAWS!

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All of these Bear laws may never apply to you, or will they? Sometimes things said in jest are not very funny. You might want to get a tissue ready in case I hit a soft spot and you start crying.

A lighting strike will always find the best path to your equipment.

A simple fix will always do more damage.

All things are possible except those things which you have to do.

Those low cost repairs are never low cost.

When you need a test meter you never have it with you.

If you have the meter with you the battery is always dead.

If you have a test meter with you and the battery is good the test leads are always bad.

When you use a meter the switch is never in the correct position and the meter burns up.

If you need a given tool it is always missing.

If you need a part you never have it.

If you need a part the distributor or the company is out of stock.

Logic is never logical.

When you have a right now service call to make there is never a parking spot.

Your service van, truck or car are never parked near you when you need something from it.

Management meetings which show you how to save time always end up wasting time.

Management never pays you what you are worth.

Management is never wrong but they are never right.

New computers and programs used to solve crash problems always crash more then the old ones.

New improved systems are always worst then the old systems.

The software always has undefined errors.

Test programs never test what you need to test.

You always need another program to get the test program to work.

Nothing in an article tells you what you need to know.

Routine maintenance is never routine.

Routine maintenance never gets done.

The \$ bottom line is always at the bottom.

The AC line cable-plug never reaches the outlet.

The basics are basic but they are not basic when you need them.

The expert advice is always wrong.

When you ask an expert for help they will always answer you by asking you a question.

When you really need the manual it is **never** there.

When you have a problem you are told to read the manual first but it will **never** help.

The manual is always written so you can not comprehend what it says.

The manual **never** has the specific information you need.

The manual always tells you must use something you do not have.

If you have the manual the page you need is always missing.

The quick and easy job will never be quick nor easy.

The schematic is always printed so small and you can **never** see what you need to find.

The simple setup procedure is **never** simple.

When you fix something then something else always breaks down.

When you need to talk to someone they are **never** available.

When you need a piece of test equipment you **never** have it.

You **never** get the important update bulletins.

The service bulletins you do get **never** help you service anything.

When you really need the spare unit you never have it with you.

The spare backup unit **never** works.

The bill acceptor always collects dirt but never accepts bills.  
The coin acceptor never accepts coins.  
When you really need your flashlight the bulb is always bad.  
If the bulb in your flashlight is OK the batteries are dead.  
The circuit breaker is always broken.  
When you need the Magic Wand you **never** have it with you.  
The good and accurate information you collect on a given problem is always a **false positive**.  
When you are trying to solve a problem your mind always goes into the stickation or stuckation mode.  
When you need a fuse you **never** have the right one.  
Note: FEK = F is for Familiarity, E is for Experience and K is for Knowledge  
When you need your FEK you **never** have the FEK you need.



**May The FEK be with you!**

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