

Camping Trip Personal Gear List

This is a general gear list for a typical weekend camping trip. You should take your flashlight and rain gear in the car with you. Personal gear is the last thing we unpack and it is often dark when you are setting up your tents. If it starts raining on the way down your rain gear will not be available to you if it is in your pack.

Item

○ Scout Uniform

○ Back Pack or Duffle bag

○ Pack Cover

Notes

Full Class-A uniforms are worn when traveling to and from weekend activities unless specifically told otherwise

Day packs have insufficient capacity, internal or external frame packs best
Fitted nylon cover is best. Large, heavy duty garbage bag will work

Outdoor Essentials

○ Sleeping bag

Nylon bag w/ synthetic fill is best (20 deg rated or you can supplement a warmer bag with fleece insert when it is cold)

○ Sleeping pad

To insulate you from the cold ground and provide comfort

○ Camp Pillow (optional)

○ Water Bottle

Filled a 1 liter bottle is enough for most weekends, bring more on hiking and backpacking trips

○ Flashlight

Always keep this on you while traveling so you have it when you arrive

○ Rain gear

Jacket and pants are preferred but a poncho will work (nylon, not plastic)

○ Pocket knife

May carry only if you have Totin Chip

○ Rope

10-20 feet of small rope or thick cord

○ Fire starter

Waterproof matches or striker

○ Compass

Liquid filled

○ Small roll of toilet paper

○ Personal First Aid Kit

Band-aids, chapstick, moleskin, etc. - supplies for minor injuries only. Troop carries medical supplies and will administer first aid to Scouts

Clothing

Supplement this list based on weather conditions

All clothing should be weather appropriate. Your clothing needs will depend on the trip. However, you should always plan to dress in layers so that your clothing becomes more versatile as weather conditions change. Cotton is not appropriate in wet or winter conditions. Poly propylene is best year around.

○ Shirts and pants or shorts

No jeans in winter

○ T-shirts and underwear

At least two pair (avoid cotton in winter)

○ Jacket, sweater, fleece

Depending on conditions (fleece is most versatile item)

○ Socks

Three pairs of scout socks / wool socks when cold

○ Sturdy hiking shoes or boots

Waterproof boots are best when it rains, make sure they are broken in

○ Extra shoes (optional)

To wear around camp (e.g., tennis shoes or sandals)

○ Pajama's or sweats (optional)

You must have something clean and dry at night when it is cold

○ Hat

Knit or fleece hats if it is cold and for sleeping at night, baseball hats or hats with a full brim for other times

Eating and cleanliness

○ Knife, fork and spoon

Lexan or tough plastic is best because it doesn't get hot

○ Bowl and plate

Mess kit or plastic (plastic does not get hot)

○ Cup suitable for cold or hot drinks

An inexpensive plastic insulated mug is great

○ Soap

Camp suds is biodegradable and a little goes a long way

○ Small towel and wash cloth

○ Toothbrush, toothpaste, and dental floss

Personal Extras

○ Medications

All personal medications must be given to SM or ASM for the weekend

○ Camera (optional)

Cell phones not allowed on trips, Inexpensive or disposable is best

○ Scout Handbook

Place the book in a zip lock bag to keep it dry and clean

○ Watch

○ Pen and paper

A small notebook is a good choice

○ Small bottle of sun screen

Especially if it's sunny and you are prone to sunburn

○ Sun glasses (optional)

Refer to the Scout Handbook and Fieldbook for additional hiking and camping information.

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The “10 Essentials”

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| 1 | Regulation pocketknife* | 6 | Flashlight |
| 2 | Personal First Aid Kit | 7 | Trail Food (granola bar, trail mix, etc.) |
| 3 | Extra Clothing | 8 | Matches and/or Fire Starters* |
| 4 | Rain Gear | 9 | Sun Protection |
| 5 | Water Bottle | 10 | Map and Compass |

*Not permitted without Totin Chip or Fireman Chit certificates