

# PERSONAL CAMP NEEDS CHECKLIST

## PACKING REMINDERS

- ➔ Some items below might have to be worn to camp; Scout Uniform *should* be worn to camp!
- ➔ Put your name and troop number on EVERYTHING! Then lost items can be returned.
- ➔ Anything that MUST stay dry MUST be put in a plastic bag and sealed *before* you pack it.
- ➔ Do NOT pack in JUST plastic bags! Put the plastic bags in a pack, duffel, etc.
- ➔ Pack everything YOURSELF so you know what you have and where it is!
- ➔ Pack securely so nothing is lost or separated.
- ➔ Items marked with an ☼ are often forgotten. Be sure you don't.

Check the first box when an item is out & ready to pack. Check the second box when you pack it.

## REQUIRED ITEMS

**BASIC CAMP NEEDS** Remember: it rains at camp & it can get cold during Adirondack summers!

- BACKPACK to pack in, and to use if Outpost Camping
- DAYPACK Daily supplies, water bottle, notebook, Merit Badge books, etc.
- DUFFEL BAG and/or suitcase - for the rest of your packing, if needed
- SLEEPING BAG, in a stuff sack or rolled tightly, tied and sealed in a heavy plastic bag – attach securely to your backpack or put in your duffel
- ☼ BLANKET, rolled up with your sleeping bag or rolled snugly, sealed in plastic and packed; to use with your sleeping bag on cold nights or instead of it on warm nights
- ☼ FOAM PAD, rolled tightly, tied and sealed in a heavy plastic bag; secure to your backpack; for extra padding on your cot and as a bed pad if Outpost Camping
- ☼ GROUND CLOTH or TARP “rug” in your tent and for under bed pad if Outpost Camping
- ☼ PLASTIC BAGS 3 or 4 garbage can liner size with twist ties; to replace torn ones, etc.
- ☼ FLASHLIGHT with new bulb and new alkaline batteries
- ☼ Spare bulb & batteries (or, recommended, a second flashlight with new bulb & batteries)
- ☼ CAP or HAT
- ☼ SWIM TRUNKS and a large, thin TOWEL; packed where you can get them easily if you need a swim test
- ☼ RAIN SUIT or PONCHO rugged, or bring several cheap ones
- ☼ **WATERPROOF BOOTS!** Should be broken in, comfortable, and at least 4” high!  
You MUST be able to keep your feet dry, and you might need to wear them a lot!  
Leather sneakers are NOT an acceptable substitute!
- ☼ Hangers, to hang up your Scout Shirt, etc. for neatness and airing
- ☼ CANTEEN or good WATER BOTTLE
- ☼ MESS KIT or heavy duty plastic bowl, plate & CUP, if Outpost Camping
- ☼ UTENSIL KIT or heavy plastic knife, fork & SPOON; if Outpost Camping
- ☼ TRAVEL MUG for hot chocolate (coffee for adults) –NO paper or foam cups are at camp!
- CLOTHING & Related** Number in ( ) is how many PER WEEK; no ( ) is 1 or up to you
- Pants/jeans (2)   shorts (3)   long sleeve shirt ( )   tee shirts
- SOCKS (7 pairs, at least)   UNDERWEAR (7)   ☼ handkerchiefs/tissues
- ☼ Extra pair swim trunks   jacket or sweater   sweatshirt, regular or hooded
- ☼ Mesh laundry bag or garbage bag for dirty clothes (and please use it)
- ☼ Campsite footwear: deck shoes, mocs, etc. (can also wear to waterfront & shower house)
- Sneakers – to wear around camp when it's dry

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## PERSONAL CAMP NEEDS CHECKLIST, *REQUIRED ITEMS, CONTINUED*

### **HYGIENE & PERSONAL CARE** *BRING AND USE, PLEASE!*

- shower towel (2)    washup towel    washcloth (2)    extra swim towel
- SOAP, unscented, in holder    shampoo, unscented
- deodorant/anti-perspirant, unscented, NOT aerosol spray    tissues, pocket packs
- toothbrush & paste    comb and/or brush    small mirror    a few bandages
- FOOT POWDER    cord or twine, +/- 50'    6 assorted safety pins
- INSECT REPELLENT with DEET, NOT aerosol spray    lip balm
- SUNSCREEN, water & sweat proof, appropriate SPF level for your skin sensitivity
- WRIST WATCH, to keep you on time
- if required: personal medication in original container, with Personal Medication Form signed by a doctor; give to Camp Leader*

### **ADVANCEMENT MATERIALS and Related**

- Merit Badge Pamphlets, yours, or from troop before camp for badges you intend to earn
- Your SCOUT HANDBOOK     Totin' Chip, if you've earned it already
- PENS, PENCILS, NOTEBOOK
- large zip-close bags, to store & carry above items; keeps them dry and together

### **OPTIONAL ITEMS**   Take these if you want to, if you have them.

- compass    fishing gear (remove hooks/lures to transport)
- pillow: regular or camp (put in bag with blanket) or inflatable    pajamas
- small battery lantern < spare batteries for >    travel alarm    extra Scout shirt
- inexpensive camera & film or disposable camera    inexpensive binoculars
- books, magazines (tasteful please)    QUIET travel-type games: chess, checkers, etc.
- pre-stamped, pre-addressed postcards to mail to family, friends (*strongly suggested*)
- SMALL pocket knife (*strongly suggested*)

Carry and use IF you have Totin' Chip; earn Totin' Chip at camp, then carry and use it.  
If you don't have a knife, discount stores carry appropriate, small, inexpensive ones.

- Baseball Gloves**

### **FORBIDDEN – do NOT bring to camp!**

- CD players, radios, electronic games, any other “valuables”
- “Weapons,” large knives, guns, bows, sling shots, etc.
- Fireworks, illegal drugs, alcohol, liquid fuels, candles, aerosol spray of any kind
- Food, gum, candy, snacks, etc.
- Two-way radios and cell phones – adult leaders may – Scouts ABSOLUTLEY MAY NOT

Questions? Not sure about an item? Don't have an item?

**DON'T WAIT!**

**Call your Camp Leader and ASK!**

