# **Weekend Campout Gear List**

The following items should be brought on every campout. The back page of this list includes some items that are weather specific. As a reminder, rain gear is not weather specific it should be brought even if there is no rain in the forecast. Tents, ground cloths, cooking equipment and cleaning equipment are provided by the troop and should not be brought by any scout.

#### **Mandatory Campout Equipment**

Scout Uniform For travel to and from camp and for any ceremonies.

Pocket Knife Remember your Totin' Chip

First Aid Kit Personal First Aid Kit - (no over the counter drugs or prescription drugs can be carried by a scout with the exception of

an inhaler or epi pen)

Clothing Clothing appropriate for the season - See Back for details

Rain Gear Rain Suit or Poncho

Water Bottle At least 2 liters/quarts worth, 2 Nalgenes or a bladder

Flash Light With extra batteries, since it is often dark when we arrive, each scout should have a small flashlight in their pocket

when they leave for the campout, a bigger one can be packed with their gear.

Sun Screen Even in the winter and on cloudy days it is needed.

Hat In the winter a warm hat or beanie, in the summer a ball cap or a large brimmed hat.

Sun Glasses Even in the winter we need eye protection.

Compass One with straight edges and a clear background. These types are best for map reading.

Pack Backpack or duffel bag. (eventually your scout will need a backpack for hikes)

Day Pack This is a smaller backpack good for short hikes during the day. Should be big enough to comfortably carry two liters of

water, a small first kit, scout book, pocket knife, lunch, rain gear and flashlight.

Sleeping Bag Check weather and make sure your bag is rated at least ten degrees below the forecast low.

Sleeping Pad Closed cell type (7\$ at Wal-Mart) or the "Therm-a-rest" self inflating type. No Cots. Mess Kit Fork, knife, spoon, plate, bowl, and cup. Plastic keeps food warmer than metal.

Personal Cleanup Soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, comb or brush, towel (preferably small fast drying pack towel), Toilet

paper half roll in a zip lock bag.

Watch Not a cell phone or an MP3 player with time, only a watch anything else is not allowed.

BSA hand book For signoffs.

Extra Shoes Mandatory! See the clothing details on back for what type

# **Optional Gear**

Bug spray Non-aerosol. Not needed in the winter.

Pillow Not a full size pillow, there would not be enough room for everyone's gear, a stuffable or inflatable

camp pillow is suggested. An old small throw pillow would be fine if that is all you have.

Pad and Pen Small notebook & pencil or pen.
Camera Bring in a water proof bag.

Chair Must be folding, the smaller the better. It is hard to fit a lot of big chairs in the trailer.

## **Activity Specific Items**

Depending on the planned activities for a campout, additional equipment may be required. An example would be fishing equipment. If any additional equipment is required, it will be discussed at the regular troop meetings. It will be the responsibility of the scout to make sure he brings any additional gear. In most cases the parents can view the troop website to find specifics. In some case emails will be sent out to inform parents of special activities.

## Labels

Label everything. Most scouts will get gear from the same shops, so there will be multiples of most pieces of equipment on the campout. We spend a lot of time trying to figure out who items belong to. So label everything with a permanent marker.

The following sections cover what type of clothes, shoes and sleeping bags to bring during different climates. You should check the weather forecast, do not assume an April campout will be mild weather because in Oklahoma it could be below freezing or above 80. Always expect the temperature to drop to 10 below the forecasted low.

### Warm weather (normally June-August, Low Temperature 60 and up)

Shoes Wear your regular hiking boots as always, for your extra pair bring closed toed sandals, swim

shoes or Crocs.

Sleeping Bag A 50 degree or higher bag. If the lows are in the 80's a bag liner will be good enough.

Shirts Wear one under your scout uniform when you show up and pack 2 more t-shirts, preferably

class B troop shirts.

Pants Even if it is hot, you may need pants while trekking through over growth, if you have zip offs

they can count as a pair of pants and shorts.

Shorts Wear your scout shorts or jean shorts and bring one extra pair

Swim Suit Bring if we are doing anything water related, probably even for fishing in summer.

Socks Always bring more than you need, they do not take up much space. Include wool socks for

hiking. Bring at least three sets.

Underwear Bring at least three pairs, you may get wet and need to change in the middle of the day.

#### Mild Weather (Spring and Fall, Low Temperature 40-60)

Shoes Wear your regular hiking boots. Bring a second pair of light tennis shoes.

Sleeping Bag Generally a 40 degree bag will work. Check the temperature and make sure you bag is rated at

least ten degrees below the low, you might need to bring your winter bag.

Shirts Wear one under your scout uniform when you show up and pack 2 more t-shirts, preferably

class B troop shirts.

Long Sleeve Bring a long sleeve shirt in case you get cold.

Shirt

Jacket Bring an appropriate jacket or coat for the temperature. Remember you can wear multiple

shirts to make it warmer if needed.

Shorts/Pants Wear you scout shorts or pants and bring two more pairs, zip offs are good for this time of

year since it can be cold in morning and evenings but still get warm during the days, otherwise

bring shorts and pants.

Socks Always bring more than you need, they do not take up much space. Include wool socks for

hiking. Bring at least three sets.

Underwear Bring at least three pairs, you may get wet and need to change in the middle of the day.

## **Cold Weather (November-March, Low Temperature Below 40)**

Shoes Wear your regular hiking boots as always, for your extra pair bring another pair of boots or warm shoes.

Sleeping bag A 0 degree or less bag. Even a zero degree bag will not be good to zero degrees.

Shirts Wear one Long sleeve shirt under your scout uniform when you show up and pack 1 t-shirt, preferably a Class B

troop shirt and at least one more long sleeve shirt

Pants Wear your scout pants or jeans, bring at least two more pairs of pants, preferably non cotton, the zip off style

pants work the best.

Thermal Underwear Non cotton, fleece may be used as the thermal under layer.

Sleep clothes Non cotton, can be second pair of thermal underwear or fleece or wool pants and sweat shirt. Also bring an extra

pair of wool socks, a beanie and gloves(the one size fits all ones work good for sleeping in). The sleeping clothes

should not be worn through the day because any moisture will ruin the insulation properties.

Socks Always bring more than you need, they do not take up much space. Include wool socks and liners for each day.

Extra pairs can also be used for sleeping if your feet or hands get cold.

Underwear Bring at least three pairs, you may get wet and need to change in the middle of the day.

Beanie A good thick beanie is a must for the winter months.

Coat A good coat is required. Make sure it has a hood that buttons in the front to keep your neck warm. Instead of a real

heavy coat it is better to bring an extra wool or fleece shirt to wear under your coat, that way you can remove a

layer in high activity periods.

Scarf/Face A scarf can be used to keep your neck and face warm. They also make fleece and polypropylene face protection. It

Protection is strongly suggested to have at least one of these options if the temperature will be below 40.