

Winter Camp Checklist

Boy Scout Troop 96 Personal Camping Gear Checklist

Scout Equipment

Scout Shirt (Class "A") **To be worn while traveling to and from camp only !!!!**

Scout pants or clean, neat pants

Boy Scout Handbook (in a plastic, ziplock bag)

Pocket knife (**ONLY** with Tote N' Chip card)

Canteen , water bottle , or Camelbak (put name on what you bring)

Flashlight with extra batteries

Writing paper and pencils or pens

Tent (unless sharing with another scout) and ground cloth

Bedding

Sleeping bag - warm

Large Trash Bag or plastic to put under sleeping bag as a vapor barrier

Old blanket - to put over sleeping bag for extra insulation (optional)

Pillow (optional)

Ground pad

Waterproof stuff bag for sleeping bag

Clothing

The key to cold weather camping is to stay warm and dry. Bring both light and heavy weight clothing in order to "layer" if the weather is cold. For underwear and socks, bring at least one change per day.

Underwear

Socks - light (a pair of lycra socks next to your feet will pull the moisture away and keep your feet warmer).

Socks - heavy (wool is best - they will be warmer, even if wet)

T-shirts

Long, thermal underwear - at least one pair

Hooded sweat shirt and sweat pants - make the best pajamas in cold weather

Long pants

Long sleeve shirt

Warm sweater (Optional)

Warm coat or jacket - suitable for camping environment

Stocking cap

Gloves or mittens

Sturdy shoes - sneakers are OK for good weather (**NO open toed shoes**)

Rain gear - including waterproof footwear (Pancho or Rain Suit)

Bathing suit - (optional) we will have a "Polar Bear" swim for those brave souls that want to earn the Polar Bear swim patch.

Other Items

Back pack, duffel bag, or small trunk (aka Summer Camp) for personal gear. If you plan to go on one of the overnight hikes, be sure to bring a back pack. Also, bring a waterproof cover for your backpack in case of rain. Place a trash bag inside the bag and then pack the ziplock bags of clothing, etc. inside of that.

Lip balm (Chapstick)

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Soap (or baby wipes for personal hygiene)

Deodorant

Wash cloth

Towel

Comb and/or hairbrush

Drinking cup, with your name on it, for campsite use. The troop will not provide cups.

Frisbee, with your name on it, for a plate

Spoon, Fork, Knife that you can keep up with.

Optional Gear

NEW Leather gloves if you plan on going on the rappelling tower

Compass

Fishing equipment

Watch

Camera and film

Money for snacks, crafts, or souvenirs. The troop will provide plenty of hot chocolate and juice.

Special Instructions to Mom or Dad!

Boys are not always too neat when they unpack in their tents (sigh). In the winter this can be a serious problem because one good cloud burst can wet everything on the floor of a tent. You can assure dry clothes each day if you (or your son) packs his clothes in large ziplock bags. If your son will stay dry he will stay warm.

Please label everything with an indelible marker!

Things you should not bring

Video games

Pokemon or other card decks

Radios, tape players, or CD players

Any form of weapon (sling shot, sheath knife, etc.)

Food that will spoil or attract ants.

Matches, lighters, or fire starters (except as part of a "wilderness survival kit")

Fireworks of any sort, shape, or form!!!

Expensive or new jackets, especially the popular "logo" sports type jackets. The boys are not always careful with their jackets when outdoors. There is a good chance that their jacket will at the very least get pretty dirty, if not damaged or stolen !!!!