

Personal & Camp Gear

The following list is not all-inclusive, but it draws from various Scouts BSA Handbooks and serves as a strong foundation for your packing. Your overnight gear, outdoor essentials, and appropriate clothing are the heart of your camping equipment. Aim to pack light — bring only what you truly need to stay safe, comfortable, and ready to make a great camp. Leave unnecessary items at home. Remember, you'll be at camp for a full week. Plan thoughtfully, pack smartly, and you'll be set for an incredible adventure!

Personal and Troop Camping Gear Checklist

(Plan carefully for a full week at camp!)

Overnight Camping Gear

- ☐ Scouts BSA Handbook
- ☐ Backpack with rain cover
- ☐ Sleeping bag (or two to three warm blankets)
- ☐ Sleeping pad
- ☐ Ground cloth

Clothing for the Season

- ☐ Official BSA Uniform
(shirt, neckerchief, pants, belt, socks)
- ☐ Short-sleeve shirts
- ☐ T-shirts
- ☐ Hiking shorts
- ☐ Long pants
- ☐ Underwear
- ☐ Socks (extra pairs)
- ☐ Hat (sun hat, baseball cap, or beanie)
- ☐ Sweater or warm jacket
- ☐ Pajamas or sleepwear
- ☐ Hiking boots or sturdy shoes
- ☐ Spare pair of shoes
- ☐ Bandannas
- ☐ Rain jacket or poncho

Personal Hygiene Kit

- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Shampoo/Conditioner
- ☐ Toothbrush
- ☐ Toothpaste
- ☐ Dental floss
- ☐ Comb or brush
- ☐ Deodorant
- ☐ Hand sanitizer
- ☐ Feminine hygiene products (if needed)
- ☐ Shaving kit (if needed)
- ☐ Washcloth

Outdoor Essentials

- ☐ Pocketknife (Totin' Chip required if applicable)
- ☐ Personal first aid kit
- ☐ Water bottle (filled at camp)
- ☐ Flashlight or lantern (with extra batteries)
- ☐ Matches and fire starters (in waterproof container)
- ☐ Sun protection (sunscreen, lip balm)
- ☐ Compass
- ☐ Insect repellent (non-aerosol preferred)

Personal Extras (Optional)

- ☐ Watch
- ☐ Notebook or binder with paper
- ☐ Pencil or pen
- ☐ Sunglasses
- ☐ Small musical instrument (e.g., ukulele, harmonica)
- ☐ Swimsuit
- ☐ Water shoes (for aquatic activities)
- ☐ Gloves (for cool weather or service projects)
- ☐ Baseball cap or beanie
- ☐ Twine or rope

Troop Camp Gear Box *(Shared Troop Equipment)*

- ☐ Patrol box with:
- ☐ Fire building materials
- ☐ Water containers
- ☐ Twine/rope
- ☐ Patrol first aid kit
- ☐ Ground cloths
- ☐ Tarps
- ☐ Tents
- ☐ Lanterns
- ☐ Hand tools (including shovel)
- ☐ U.S. and patrol flags
- ☐ Axe and hatchet
- ☐ 5-gallon buckets (several)

Important Reminders

No food, toiletries, or scented items inside tents! Label all personal items with your name and troop number. Pack smart: bring only what is necessary for comfort, safety, and fun!

