

Personal Equipment Checklist - Troop 279

Consider these items when planning an outdoor activity.

See also: scoutlists.com for more packing list ideas.

Any Outdoor Activity:

- Medicine or vitamins (to be held by parent / guardian)
- Paper/Notebook & pencil/pen
- Uniform (Shirt/Polo, neckerchief/slide, pants/belt, etc.)
- Hat – important in tick season
- Sunglasses
- Insect Repellent (seasonal)
- Sunscreen / lip balm
- Small Personal First Aid Kit
- Filled water bottle/hydration pack
- Pocket knife

Day Trip:

- Sweatshirt and/or Coat
- Swimsuit & towel
- Chair
- Fishing gear/Sports equipment
- Sunglasses, glasses, contacts
- Spending money

Outdoor Essentials:

- Flashlight / headlamp
- Trail food
- Whistle

- Map and Compass
- Rain gear, poncho, etc.
- Matches/fire starters

Day Hike:

- Daypack, backpack, etc.
- Good walking shoes or boots
- Change of socks

Campout Items:

- Medical Record
- Handbook
- Pants, shorts, shirts, & sweats
- Underwear & socks
- Jacket
- Sleeping Bag or blankets
- Pillow
- Air mattress, cot, or pad
- Mess kit
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, floss
- Soap, shampoo, towels, cloth
- Hand sanitizer
- Personal items & toiletries
- Toilet paper
- Ziploc bags to keep things dry
- Swimsuit
- Work gloves

- Safety glasses
- Rope or clothesline
- Mesh bag for laundry

Cold-Weather Trip:

- Winter hat / gloves / scarf
- Snowpants
- Winter coat
- Winter boots
- Thermal underwear
- Slippers (for indoor/cabins)
- Face mask (optional)
- Snow goggles (optional)

Optional:

- Camera
- Watch (cheap &, waterproof)
- Cell phone *for emergencies*
- Favorite book
- Wilderness Survival Kit
- Ear Plugs
- Small Musical Instrument
- Foot/hand warmers
- Folding camp chair
- Fishing pole
- Binoculars / field guides
- Dry bag

Your Patrol will provide group items: Food, Paper Towels, Napkins, Salt, Pepper, Garbage Bags, Saws, Rakes, Shovels, Tents, Ground Cloths, and other items. Ask your Patrol Leader for specifics.

What NOT to bring:

Just as important as what you bring is what not to bring. Many of these rules are BSA National Policy.

- ✘ Never bring any gun other than a squirt gun
- ✘ No BB Guns, Pellet Guns, Slingshots, etc.
- ✘ Never bring alcohol or tobacco.
- ✘ Adults cannot use tobacco in the presence of Scouts.
- ✘ Never bring fireworks, sparklers, etc.
- ✘ Never bring any pet of any kind.
- ✘ Ask your leader before you bring an ax or saw.
- ✘ Many camps forbid sheath knives for all Scouts.
- ✘ Candy, food, or snacks are not allowed in tents.
- ✘ Ask before bringing any food items.
- ✘ Appropriate attire and footwear are required.
- ✘ Sandals & open-toed shoes cannot be worn in camp.
- ✘ Never bring anything expensive or irreplaceable.
- ✘ No Electronics, Radios, CDs, TVs, or DVDs.

Ask your leader for more information. Your leader must have the current Guide to Safe Scouting #33416 with them on your activities. It explains key requirements including Two Deep Leadership and the Buddy System. All members are encouraged to read and familiarize themselves with the Guide to Safe Scouting, which is available freely online.