

Troop 804 Personal Camping Gear Checklist

Always Bring

- Scout Handbook
- Water bottle
- Mess kit
- Eating utensils (fork, knife, spoon)
- Drinking cup (often in mess kit)
- Flashlight (with extra batteries)
- Sleeping bag (doesn't have to be expensive but should go to 20 degrees)
- Sunscreen (non-aerosol)
- Insect repellent (non-aerosol)
- Toilet paper in Ziploc bag (just in case)
- Class A Uniform (Scouts travel in class A uniform)
- Hiking boots or other rough soled shoes (must be closed-toe)
- Poncho or rain suit
- Personal toiletries (soap, hand towel, hand sanitizer, handkerchief, lip balm, comb, etc.)
- Toothbrush & toothpaste (mandatory – these will be used!)
- Note pad and pen/pencil
- Compass
- Whistle
- Weather appropriate clothing (see below)
- Pocketknife (no locking blades or sheath knives)
 - o only if Scout brings or will work on Totin' Chip
- Backpack (or duffel bag) to transport gear
- Garbage bags (for storage and/or keeping things dry)

Optional Items

- Camping pillow
- Camp stool
- *Sleeping pad (foam pad or backpacking-style air mattress)
- Baseball cap / sunglasses
- Mirror

Prohibited Items – Do not Bring

- Aerosols
- Fire accelerants (lighter fluid, gasoline, kerosene, etc.)
- Food / candy / snacks (except as directed)
- Electronics – games, music players, video devices, etc.

Other

- All items should be labeled with name**
- Clothing
 - o prepare for colder than expected; it can always get cool at night
 - o always think layers, especially when preparing for colder weather
 - o always have at least one sweatshirt and at least one pair of long pants
 - o better to have a t-shirt and sweats or shorts that are just for sleeping
 - o always have extra socks and underwear
 - o class "A" uniform for travel to and from camping location
 - o closed shoes required; boots recommended

* Strongly recommended for winter camping