



Troop 245

Winter Camping Checklist

Scout Equipment

- Scout Shirt
- Boy Scout Handbook (in a plastic, ziplock bag)
- Water bottle or Canteen
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Compass

Bedding

- Cold weather sleeping bag
- Sleeping Pad or old blanket - to put under sleeping bag as an insulating pad (optional)
- Old blanket - to put over sleeping bag for extra insulation (optional)
- Pillow (optional)
- 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 - a pair of light weight 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)
- Long sleeve 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
- Warm coat or jacket - suitable for camping environment
- Stocking cap
- Gloves or mittens
- Extra pair of gloves

- Winter snow boots
- Extra Pair of footwear - sneakers are OK
- Rain gear
- Snow pants
- Scarf or face mask

Other Items

- Back pack, duffel bag for personal gear
- Lip balm (Chapstick)
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Wash cloth
- Towel
- Comb and/or hairbrush
- Drinking cup (for hot liquids), Plate, Utensils with your name on it

Special Instructions for the Scouts (hint Mom or Dad):

Scouts are not always neat when they unpack in their tents.

In the winter this can be a serious problem because of the snow and clothes can become wet on the floor of a tent. You can assure dry clothes each day if you pack your clothes in large zip lock bags. If you stay dry, you will stay warm and enjoy the winter camping a whole lot better.