

## Winter Camping Checklist



## **COLD WEATHER PLANNING**

This gear list is intended to help our Scouts better prepare for a weekend of camping in winter weather. All gear needs to be name labeled. The main Saturday program will be spent outdoors (weather permitting), so a Scout needs to be prepared to be outside in either 40 degree or 0 degree or below General considerations weather. This gear list explains how to prepare us to stay warm for the weekend, in the event very cold weather sets in. This list will help you "Be Prepared" for winter weather camping. Scouts should wear their uniform to camp. Most importantly, make sure you pack fun, safety and sunshine. Hat, Gloves/Mittens & A hat that covers your ears during the day along with a pairs of gloves or mittens - think weather-proof! Consider a balaclava and/or gaiters if you have them but no need to run out and buy. Snowpants Warm coat/parka with hood. If you have a warm coat with a hood, bring it, the hood does not replace a hat. Multiple layers of warm clothes like sweatshirts, fleeces etc. Several loose fitting layers of clothing will keep you warmer than tight fitting cotton jeans. You can take off or add layers depending on the Dress in layers temperature. You should have enough layers to keep you warm and allow you to be able to change layers to add or subtract heat if needed. For clothing material, wool is best, a synthetic is second, and a synthetic/cotton blend is third. Stay Dry! Pack an extra set of dry clothes including Extra Socks and have weatherproof footwear. Stuff happens... Keep an eye on the weather forecast and prepare accordingly. Communicate your temperature range Weather tolerances for yourself and your Scout.

## CHECKLIST

Pulled	Loaded	Duffel Bag/Case	Pulled	Loaded	Small Travel Bag (can all go in duffel too)
		Change of clothes, Scout uniform short & long sleeves, long underwear, sweatpants. Clean clothes for the ride home. Bring a bag for wet gear.			Completed Health Forms are required at check-in and the link to them is on the Eventbrite Invite
		Hooded jacket/poncho, raingear or poncho – if we have a warm spell.			Scout book, playing cards or small games for downtime or extreme cold.
		Winter hat, gloves/mittens & snow pants – have 2 pair of gloves – they get wet.			Helmets are provided for snow tubing but if you have a helmet you prefer you can bring it.
		The Six Essentials in day pack (First aid kit, water bottle, flashlight, snack, sun protection, whistle)			Cell phone charger and consider a battery backup. No electronics for Scouts, for essential/activity related use only for adults.
		Extra shoes, boots, cabin shoes/slippers (wet floors?)			Ear plugs - <i>Yep</i>
		Mess kit (plastic plate, mug, bowl, spoon fork & knife in a mesh bag)			Maps to camp and cabins – on Eventbrite invite.
		Sleeping bag & pillow			Toiletries, washcloth, hand towel(s) & wipes.
		Sleeping mattress/pad –Optional -Note sleeping pads & bunks are sometimes available on site			Pocketknife (if they have their whittling chip & <u>are</u> supervised by a parent)

