

## Troop 108 - EQUIPMENT LIST FOR A WINTER CAMPOUT

\_\_\_ **BACKPACK** (if not a backpack campout, you can use a large Sports Equipment Bag or Duffel Bag). Clothing should be plastic bagged inside the pack (large Ziplock bags are great).

\_\_\_ **WARM JACKET & SCARF.**

\_\_\_ **SHELL or WIND BREAKER.**

\_\_\_ **RAIN COAT or PONCHO (unless shell is waterproof).**

\_\_\_ **WOOL PANTS or SNOW PANTS.**

\_\_\_ **2 EXTRA PAIRS OF PANTS** (no jeans. Wind pants, rain pants or sport pants)

\_\_\_ **WOOL SWEATER, or POLAR FLEECE SWEATSHIRT/VEST**

\_\_\_ **2 LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS** (Preferably Wool, fleece or synthetic fiber for good insulating quality & quick drying).

\_\_\_ **2 SETS of LONG UNDERWEAR** (if buying new, look for 100% synthetic fabric, NOT "waffle pattern" cotton blend).

\_\_\_ **UNDERWEAR**

\_\_\_ **HEAVY NON-COTTON HIKING OR WOOL SOCKS** (2 pair per day)

\_\_\_ **STURDY, INSULATED WINTER BOOTS, WATERPROOF.** Spare hiking boots or similar also recommended.

\_\_\_ **PLASTIC BAGS** (newspaper or bread wrappers, or plastic grocery bags to go under socks in case of wet boots).

\_\_\_ **WINTER GLOVES or MITTENS** (two pairs minimum)

\_\_\_ **2 WINTER HATS** (One for Sleeping ONLY-Sleeping hat should be designed to stay on at night and cover ears).

\_\_\_ **WINTER SLEEPING BAG** (or 2 regular Sleeping Bags stuffed one inside the other; or a regular Bag AND a sleeping bag liner or Blanket)

\_\_\_ **SWEAT PANTS & SWEAT SHIRT** (for sleeping only! Change ALL of your clothes, including your long underwear, inside your sleeping bag when you go to bed).

\_\_\_ **CLOSED-CELL FOAM SLEEPING PAD** (or Thermarest type air pad).

\_\_\_ **Reusable SPACE BLANKET or 5'X7' TARP**, or other Plastic Ground Sheet.

\_\_\_\_\_ **WHISTLE** on neck chain.

\_\_\_\_\_ **POCKETKNIFE** (SMALL Swiss Army Knife is ideal)

\_\_\_\_\_ **MESS-KIT (BOWL, CUP, FORK, SPOON, PLATE** -- heavy-duty plastic is warmer than metal).

\_\_\_\_\_ **2 ONE-QUART WATER BOTTLES**, filled "Nalgene" Bottles or similar

\_\_\_\_\_ **FLASHLIGHT & EXTRA BATTERIES.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **SMALL FIRST AID KIT** (You can make your own: BSA Handbook, Page 289).

\_\_\_\_\_ **PEN, PENCIL, SMALL NOTEBOOK, BSA HANDBOOK** (No, you can't borrow ours).

\_\_\_\_\_ **COMPASS with a BASEPLATE**, in a Zip-Lock bag (with map, if you have one).

\_\_\_\_\_ **MATCHES** in a match container or film container.

\_\_\_\_\_ **CLEAN-UP KIT** (Small Hand Soap, Small Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Comb, Fast-Drying Camp Towel).

\_\_\_\_\_ **TOILET PAPER** (Half a roll in a Zip-Lock bag or a backpacking roll).

\_\_\_\_\_ **SMALL PLASTIC TOBOGGAN** (to carry gear, if you want a lighter pack)

#### **OPTIONAL ITEMS:**

Handkerchief/Bandana.

Glowsticks for in tents after early sundown.

Old gloves to cook in.

Gaiters

Firestarters (see scout handbook)

hot cocoa mix.

#### Clothing hints:

- Layering is the key – overdressing is just as bad as underdressing, with layers you can add/remove as needed
- Avoid cotton

AVOID WHITE GEAR, IT TENDS TO DISAPPEAR IN THE SNOW!

**SOURCES FOR GEAR:** Herb Philipsons, Gander Mtn (bring your scout ID card for a discount), [www.campmor.com](http://www.campmor.com) , [www.cabelas.com](http://www.cabelas.com) , thrift stores

Backpacks are usually available to borrow, just let us know (we will let you know which campouts require a backpack, many do not)