

Basic Camping Equipment List for Weekend Camping Trip

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These are the *suggested* items to be taken on a camping trip lasting three days and two nights. Depending upon the time of year, some of these items might not be needed on a particular camping trip. **Items in bold are the most important items for any camping trip.**

Shelter

- 1 Tent w/ tent stakes
- 2 Groundcloth (aka, a tarp for under your tent)

Bedding

- 1 **Ground pad/sleeping pad (thick blanket for under the sleeping bag can work too)**
- 2 **Sleeping bag**
- 3 Blanket(s)
- 4 Pillow (optional)

Clothing

NOTE: *It is always important to dress in layers, especially during cold weather camping!*

- 1 **Boots and/or Sturdy footwear**
- 2 Extra pair of shoes
- 3 **Pairs of Socks – 6 (wool socks if you have them)**
- 4 Underwear – 3 pairs
- 5 Pants/jeans – 2 or 3 pairs
- 6 T-shirts – 4
- 7 **Sweatshirts – 2 to 4**
- 8 Heavy jacket – 1
- 9 Gloves – 1 or 2 pair
- 10 Long underwear/underarmor
- 11 Baseball cap/stocking cap (**ORANGE hat during hunting season**)
- 12 **Sleepwear: t-shirt(s) and sweatpants**
- 13 Bathing suit

Toiletries:

- 1 **Toothbrush & toothpaste**
- 2 Deodorant
- 3 Soap/hand sanitizer and washcloth
- 4 Toilet paper
- 5 Towel

Other gear:

- 1 Day pack (think lightweight school backpack)
- 2 Boy Scout Handbook
- 3 **Raincoat/poncho**
- 4 Flashlight

- 5 **First aid kit**
- 6 **Water bottles/canteens - 2-4, depending on size and planned activity**
- 7 **Trash bags – 2 or 3**
- 8 Pocket knife
- 9 Hand warmers
- 10 Fire starters
- 11 Matches/Lighter/flint and steel
- 12 Sun tan lotion
- 13 Bug spray
- 14 10' Length of rope
- 15 Pen and paper
- 16 Deck of cards
- 17 Small camp chair

All items may be packed in a camping backpack or a large duffel bag.