

BSA Troop 652 Winter Camping Packing List

Item	Quantity	Packed?	Notes / Substitutions
Clothing To Wear on Friday			
Underwear (Non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Highly recommended, but not necessary to be synthetic. Don't wear "brand new" underwear you aren't already comfortable in on a camping trip.
Thermal Base Layer / long underwear top (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any brand is good, often good deals on Champion brand at Target. Snug fitting base layer keeps you warmer.
Thermal Base Layer / long underwear bottoms (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yoga pants or leggings are a good alternative, if they are synthetic or wool.
Socks (Non cotton preferably)	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wool or Synthetic are best. Two pair can help if you frequently get cold feet. Thin inner layer, and thicker outer layer.
Long Sleeve Shirt (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Scout Uniform Shirt & Neckerchief	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sweatshirt or Fleece with Hood if possible (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Polyester fleece hoodie or poly/cotton hoodie.
Long Pants (Non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scout pants are great option. Avoid Jeans & Jeggings. Consider boys pants that are loose so you can wear long underwear underneath.
Winter Boots (Waterproof and insulated if possible)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Outerwear for Weekend			
Gloves or mittens (waterproof ski type if possible)	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mittens keep hands warmer than gloves. Layering 2 pair of gloves / mittens helps, if you have a thin pair.
Stocking Hat	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seperate wool knit or fleece hat besides any hood attached to your jacket.
Non Cotton Scarf (Or Facemask)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fleece, wool, or acrylic scarf
Snow Pants (waterproof if possible)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bringing 2 pair in case they get wet is a good option.
Parka (waterproof if possible)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Snowboots	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Overnight Gear			
Sleeping Bag	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mummy style recommended for winter. Look at the temperature rating. There are usually men & womens ratings. Women's rating is usually 10* less than mens. If only one rating is given its usually mens, so add about 10* for girls.
Sleeping Bag stuff Sack (optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any bag to carry sleeping bag in. Garbage bag works to keep it dry.
Extra Blanket / Sleeping Bag Liner (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	An extra layer of warmth / protection.
Extra Stocking Cap (Unless wearing hoodie)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good to wear when sleeping to keep your head warm.
Small Pillow or Pillow Case (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pillow case stuffed with clothes makes a good pillow and is easier to carry/pack.
Solid Foam or Self Inflating Camp Pad	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blue foam sleeping pads are cheap and can be found at Walmart.
Non Cotton Underwear	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pajamas (Long / Warm)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sleeping in the base layer for the next day is a good alternative. Can bring sweatpants and sweatshirt to sleep in.
Clothing To Pack for Saturday			
Underwear (Non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Thermal Base Layer / long underwear top (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Thermal Base Layer / long underwear bottoms (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Socks (Non cotton preferably)	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Class B Shirt	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional on first few trips
Long Sleeve Shirt (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sweatshirt or Fleece with Hood if possible (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Long Pants (Non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Clothing To Pack for Sunday			
Underwear (Non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Thermal Base Layer / long underwear top (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Thermal Base Layer / long underwear bottoms (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Socks (Non cotton preferably)	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Long Sleeve Shirt (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sweatshirt or Fleece with Hood if possible (Non Cotton Preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Long Pants (Non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Recommended Spare Clothing			
Spare Socks (Non cotton preferably)	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Spare Underwear (non cotton preferably)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Rain Boots	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hiking Boots	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional for first few trips, can substitute for tennis shoes for now
Spare Tennis Shoes	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bring tennis shoes to wear inside cabin.
Toiletries			
Toothbrush	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small / Travel Size
Toothpaste	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small / Travel Size
Deodorant	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small / Travel Size
Floss (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small / Travel Size
Comb/Brush	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hair Ties	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	If you have long hair, bring hair ties.
Small Towel	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Washcloth	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
SMALL Camp Soap	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	If using bar soap, bring box/bag to keep it in.
Package of Tissues	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Wet Wipes & Hand Sanitizer (In Ziplock)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Toilet Paper (In Ziplock)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Trowel (Depending on Camp Location)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Feminine Hygiene Products	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Chapstick	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Essentials			
Filled Out BSA Medical Form	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Signed Permission Slip / Activity Consent Form	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Personal Medication	As Needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	To be kept with Adult Leaders
Tent	1 Per 2 Scouts	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Tarp or Footprint (For under tent)	1 Per 2 Scouts	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Spare Tent Stakes	4 Per 2 Scouts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good to have in case they get bent/lost
Camping Backpack or Large Duffel Bag	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pack all of your equipment, NO suitcases.
Small daypack	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small backpack used to carry things around at camp.
Pocket Knife (Only if you have Totin' Chip Card)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	No Sheath knives allowed.
Matches / Lighter (Only once you have Firem'n Chit Card)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Personal First Aid Kit	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not needed on first camping trips.
Compass	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional on first couple campouts.
Emergency Whistle	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional on first couple campouts.
Rain Suit or Poncho	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full Rain Suit is recommended, but Poncho can work. Lightweight "Frogg Toggs" are cheap and small/light, but good.
Water Bottle (2 Preferred)	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nalgene or similar with a screw on top work best.
Flashlight	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small and lightweight.
Spare Flashlight Batteries	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Plastic Garbage Bags	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	These have about a million uses. Keeping wet clothes, picking up trash, dirty clothes, etc.

Scout Handbook (in Ziplock Bag)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pen / Pencil	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mess Kit			
Plastic or Metal Bowl	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Doesn't need to be an "official" mess kit. A simple plastic plate, bowl, and cup work perfectly. No paper plates, etc.
Plastic or Metal Plate	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Spoon & Fork	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spork can be great option.
Plastic or Metal Cup or Mug	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mesh Bag	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mesh bag to keep everything together and to hang to dry.
Optional Items			
Cash (Optional)	\$20 or less	<input type="checkbox"/>	Many camps have a store to buy souvineers.
Watch (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sunglasses (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good protection from bright days with sun & snow.
Disposable Hand warmers (Optional - 2 Per Day)	6	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good to use during day in pockets or in sleeping bag at night.
Emergency / Space Blanket (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tons of good uses, great to go under sleeping pad for extram reflective warmth.
SMALL Camp Chair (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	VERY small/light. Could be a simple "situpon"
Binoculars (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Bungee Cords (Optional)	2+	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Carabiner (Optional)	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Paracord (Optional)	50'	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Headlight or Lantern for inside Tent (Optional)	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<u>Tips & Considerations:</u>			
*Cotton is bad, wool & synthetic materials are good. Cotton retains moisture. Blue jeans and sweat pants are not advisable for winter camping, although dry sweat pants can be worn in the sleeping bag. Wicking synthetics such as Cool Max are now available for clothing next to skin. They wick moisture away from the skin and allow it to evaporate. If it is made with more than 40% cotton, it is NOT a satisfactory wicking material.			
*Layering is important. One-piece snowmobile suits are good only when inactive and not recommended for winter campouts. Throughout the day scouts will be active, and need to wear layers of clothing that can be added and removed.			
*Remember the 3 W's of layering - Wicking inside layer, Warmth middle layer(s) and Wind/Water outer layer. Wicking should be a polypropylene material as long underwear and also sock liner. Warmth layer(s) should be fleece or wool. The Wind/Water layer should be Gore-Tex or at least 60/40 nylon.			
*Putting clean, dry underwear on when going to bed is crucial. Scouts will need to bring a spare pair of underwear and long underwear that they can change in to and wear while in their sleeping bags, as well as a pair of dry socks for sleeping. That night's underwear and socks can be worn the next day, as long as you have another dry set for the next night.			
*Store as many items in zip lock bags as possible. It keeps things dry and organized			
*Put name or initials on as much equipment as possible.			
*Plan to travel to & from camp in your Class A uniform.			