

# GEAR FOR SCOUTS AND LEADERS

- ◆ High Sierra weather is unpredictable in the summer months and may change quickly. Bring clothing appropriate for heat, cold, and rain.
- ◆ The Official BSA uniform is appropriate dress any time during the week.
- ◆ Scouts wear full uniforms at evening flag ceremonies and dinner. BSA activity uniform is daytime wear.
- ◆ Be sure all personal items are marked with full name and unit number. Neither the adult volunteers, the camp, nor the camp staff are responsible for lost or misplaced items.

## CLOTHING

Uniform, uniform hat  
T-shirts  
Shorts/pants  
Swim suit and towel  
Sweater, jacket, or sweatshirt  
Comfortable shoes  
Sturdy shoes for hiking  
Underwear (1 pair per day)  
Socks (1 pair per day)  
Handkerchiefs/tissues

## OPTIONAL ITEMS

Pen, pencil, paper  
Camera and film  
Musical instrument  
Sewing kit  
Money for trading post  
(\$50-\$75)  
First aid kit  
Watch  
Sunglasses  
Whistle on cord  
Compass  
Fishing pole  
Pocket Knife (and totin'chip)

## AND VERY IMPORTANT

Prescription medications  
(w/Medical Admin Form)  
Sack lunch for drive to camp  
Lunch money for return from  
camp

## CAMPING GEAR

Mess kit  
Sleeping bag or blankets

Ground cloth (optional)  
Foam pad or air mattress  
Pillow (optional)  
Pack/duffel bag/suitcase  
Day pack  
Canteen or water bottle (also  
available for purchase in the  
trading post)  
Drinking cup  
Flashlight,(extra batteries)  
Clothes line--1/4"(10-20 feet)  
and pins  
Matches, fire lighting devices  
(adults only)

## TOILET KIT

Toothbrush and toothpaste  
Comb  
Sunscreen  
Soap  
Lip balm  
Insect repellent (non-aerosol)  
Towel, washcloth  
Deodorant  
Shaving gear (adults)

## UNAUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT

Hunting bows, crossbows,  
arrows  
Firearms, ammunition, Cap  
guns  
Fireworks  
Illicit drugs  
Alcoholic beverages

Tobacco products (of legal  
age and designated areas  
only)  
Matches, Fire Lighting  
Devices (Scouts only)  
Knives with blades longer  
than 3"  
Fixed blade, sheath knives  
Open toed shoes  
Expensivenjewelry  
Electronic devices  
(Music/games)

## PAPERWORK (Signed, dated)

Annual Health and Medical  
Record  
Medical Administration Form  
Activity Consent Form  
Shooting Sports Permission  
Slip  
Horsemanship Application &  
Waiver (as needed)

## UNIT EQUIPMENT

Lantern  
Insect repellent  
First aid kit  
Pushpins for your bulletin  
board  
Patrol flag  
American Flag  
Tablecloth or cover  
Unit flag  
Bed rolls/mattresses

## **PACKING YOUR GEAR**

We recommend one bag per person, and that it is a backpack, military style duffel bag, or another type of soft bag. No personal equipment should be attached to the outside of bags. Please do not pack items that could break easily. All fishing poles should be well-marked in a separate, hard case. If you have a backpacking backpack, you will find it the simplest to transport in camp. You might have to carry your gear as far as 1,000 feet.

Luggage will likely pass through many hands before it ends up in your campsite, so it is **extremely important** that your entire luggage is clearly marked with at least your unit number. It might not be a bad idea to include contact information, as well. Any personal items that are left at Camp Kern will be taken to the Southern Sierra Council office. Camp Kern and/or the Southern Sierra Council cannot be responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged articles while in transport or while in camp.

**Note: Do not pack medical forms, fee payment receipts, or other check-in materials (e.g. troop rosters, merit badge sign-up sheets, etc). Every Scoutmaster should carry these items with them into camp.**