

WINTER CAMPING EQUIPMENT LIST

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. For winter trips, use both this list AND the Troop 72 Weekend Camping Equipment List.
 2. You may not take every item on this list on each camping trip. In fact, you may not even own some of these items. Use this list as a guide and a reminder. Consider the length of the trip, possible weather, and what you'll do on the trip.
 3. It is far better to have too much warm clothing and sleeping gear than too little. **Be Prepared.**
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SLEEPING WARM

- Sleeping pad, full length, closed-cell foam. No air mattresses.
 - Plastic ground sheet to place under your sleeping pad, inside your tent, not under it.
 - Winter sleeping bag, OR two three-season sleeping bags. (This is your most important item of winter camping equipment, so if you have ANY questions, be sure to ask the Scoutmaster).
 - Extra blankets, not cotton.
 - Stocking cap to wear to bed, NOT the same cap you wore during the day.
 - Dry, warm socks, NOT the same socks you wore during the day.
 - Booties, (fleece) or other warm footgear.
 - Long underwear.
 - Outer sleeping clothing, such as heavy sweat pants and sweatshirt. Must be dry, and NOT the same clothing worn during the day.
- Stocking cap. Must cover ears. Have at least one spare cap.
 - Mittens. This is in addition to gloves.
 - Gloves for working around camp. These DO NOT replace mittens.
 - Raincoat. This is in addition to your parka or coat.
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Note: all clothing worn to bed must be fresh and dry, and NOT the same clothing worn during the day, which will be damp from perspiration, even if you can't feel it. This is very important.

NICE-TO-HAVE EXTRAS

- Ski mask.
 - Goggles.
 - Sun glasses.
 - Gaiters. (Waterproof nylon wrap worn from boots to knees, to keep lower pants dry).
 - Chemical hand warmers.
 - Camp saw, because you'll cut lots of firewood.
 - Snow shovel.
 - Large coffee can with wire bail and lid. Keep full of water (melted snow) and on the fire so there is always hot water for hot chocolate, soup, Ramen noodles, etc.
 - High-energy snacks which will not freeze, such as meat sticks, trail mix, gorp, etc.
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DRESSING WARM

- Long underwear, tops and bottoms, polypropylene or other wicking type, and NOT cotton.
- Inner socks, polypropylene or other wicking type, NOT cotton.
- Outer wool socks, NOT cotton, heavy and warm.
- Boots. Ideal boots are those with a rubber bottom, leather upper, and wool felt liners.
- Pants. Either heavy wool or waterproof snow pants over very warm inner pants. NO JEANS or other cotton pants. Snow pants over wool pants are ideal.
- Shirt. Wool or light/medium fleece is ideal.
- Sweater. Wool or heavy fleece is ideal.
- Parka or coat, preferably with a hood.