

## **General Car Camping List**

“Car Camping” refers to short overnight trips where the campground will be relatively close to the car. Car camping is very flexible. It is similar to Cub Camping. The following list are basic recommendation.

### **List of Essentials**

#### **Basic Tent Camping List**

Tent. Some bring plastic for underneath tent. Also a small hammering tool

Typically an inexpensive two man tent for “car” camping. Larger tent for families.

Sleeping bag, small pillow & sleeping pad

The boys usually do not bring air mattresses. However, inflatable pads are much more comfortable than the foam pads. For small scouts, the foam pad seems to work just fine.

Sitting pad or folding chair (with name on it)

Mess Kit

Includes: drinking cup/bowl/pot (Combo kit available at most stores that have camping stuff)

Spoon (plastic)

Flashlight

Pocket Knife

Trash bag

Pocket first aid kit (with emergency whistle)

Boy Scout Handbook (for ranks under First Class) Please place in a water proof zip bag

#### **Basic Clothing** (Non-cotton clothing for most trips)

Two each:

T-shirts, shorts (one pair can be swim shorts if applies), underwear, socks

Shoes (one pair for water, the other for general wear)

Poncho or lightweight rain jacket just in case of rain or an afternoon shower

Dry (spare clothes) should be stored in a plastic bag or large zip lock bag

#### **Personal Hygiene**

Toiletries:

Toothpaste and brush

Soap, towel, comb

Sunscreen lotion

Bug Repellent (with Deet)

Handi wipes or packs of hand wash to use before meals

#### **Food**

Meals are typically supplied for car camping trips. Please contact the Tour Leader to see what meals will be supplied at camp or purchased on the road.

#### **Forbidden at Camp**

Electronics

Sheath knife

Aerosol cans

## River Rafting Tips

1. Wear shoes that tie or regular water shoes....a lot of people loose flip-flops, sports shoes get heavy and uncomfortable. Your times out of the canoe will usually be in running water that will likely take your lose shoes. Light weight water shoes are relatively inexpensive at the discount stores.
2. On White water trips like the Ocoee, do not bring anything other than what you are wearing on the trip. This is also a good practice on the Hiwassee River. This includes such as, rings, watches, billfolds, money, necklaces, even sunglasses.
3. Bring towels and dry clothes and personal items for after the trip. At both locations, there is a warm shower facility and changing room. It is suggested that each person shower off and change clothes before getting in someone else's car. Plus, a cleaner you will feel much better at the campground.
4. There are no fast food restaurants...McDonalds, Hardees, etc, within 15 miles. Both Outfitters have a camp store with snacks. Purchase ice for your cooler before you arrive.
5. An instructor should have each person put on Sunscreen before leaving the campground for the Outfitters. Each scout should have there own personal first aid kit. Always be prepared for anything.
6. On the Hiwassee, plan for a lead and a tail raft.
7. Try to be on time....that way you don't hold us or the next group up.
8. If you must cancel...have the courtesy to call us and let us know.
9. Everyone must wear a life jacket at all times (supplied by outfitter).