**CAMPING CHECKLIST**

**At least a week or so before leaving on the camping trip:**

* Check the weather forecast for the location(s) where you’ll be camping and the routes to/from those locations
* Determine if any of the following will be available:
* Cabin
* Drinking water
* Showers
* Cell phone reception
* Determine how much you will be able to take with you, e.g., if traveling with others, how much space will they need
* Determine which of the following you will need and/or want to take, for yourself and others in your group:

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| **Essentials / Survival** |  | **Sleep Gear** |  | **Group Equipment** |
| * Pocketknife |  | * Pack & Rain Cover |  | * Tent, Stakes, Ground cloth / Tarp |
| * First-Aid Kit |  | * Tent & Stakes |  | * Dining Fly |
| * Water Bottle or Canteen |  | * Ground Cloth |  | * Nylon Cord, Rope, Twine |
| * Flashlight w/extra batteries/bulb |  | * Sleeping Bag |  | * Camp Stove(s), Fuel, Lighter |
| * Matches in waterproof container |  | * Sleeping Pad |  | * Lantern and Fuel |
| * Candle or Fire Starters & Lighter |  | * Bear bag, bear bag rope |  | * Water Container (1 gal/person/day) |
| * Map and Compass |  |  |  | * Portable Camp Table |
|  |  | **Miscellaneous** |  | * Camp Shovel |
| **Whistle** |  | * Emergency Coins |  | * Camp Saw |
| * Metal Signaling Mirror |  | * Duct Tape |  | * Hatchet or Ax |
| * Pencil & Paper |  | * Gloves |  | * Repair Kit (thread, needles, pins) |
| * 50' Nylon Cord, Rope, Twine |  | * Swimsuit |  | * First Aid Kit |
| * Snacks / Trail Food |  | * Watch |  | * Cooking Kit |
| * Sunscreen & Sunglasses |  | * Camera & Film |  | [ ] Pots, Pans, Griddle |
| * Insect Repellent |  | * Extra shoes/flipflops |  | [ ] Spatula, Spoon, Ladle, etc. |
| * Plastic Bags |  | * Camp Chair |  | [ ] Salt, Pepper, Seasoning |
| * Emergency Blanket |  | * Hand Warmers |  | [ ] Ketchup and Condiments |
| * Clothing for Season |  |  |  | [ ] Handles or Tongs |
| [ ] Rain Gear |  | **Cleanup Kit** |  | [ ] Skewers |
| [ ] Hiking Boots or sturdy Shoes |  | * Soap |  |  |
| [ ] Shirts, Pants, Shorts |  | * Toilet Paper |  | **Cooking Gear** |
| [ ] Sweater or warm Jacket |  | * Hand Sanitizer |  | * Food |
| [ ] Socks, Underwear + Extras |  | * Toothbrush & Toothpaste |  | * Stove & Fuel |
| [ ] Hat (for blocking sun/rain) |  | * Dental Floss |  | * Cooking kit & utensils |
| [ ] Winter Mittens, Hat, Coat |  | * Towel & Washcloth |  | * Eating utensils |
|  |  | * Comb |  | * Cup, Bowl, Plate |
|  |  | [ ] Sponge, dishcloth, bleach |  | * Dish soap |
|  |  | [ ] Scouring pads |  |  |
|  |  | [ ] Garbage bags |  |  |

* Determine which of the items above will be brought by others you will be camping with to share with you and others
* Determine which of the items above you already have
* Obtain the remaining items by borrowing or buying them

**Approx. one to two days before leaving on the camping trip:**

* Recheck the weather forecast for the location(s) where you’ll be camping and the routes to/from those locations
* Start packing your camping equipment and supplies into carrying cases and/or the car.

**On the day you’re leaving on the camping trip:**

* Recheck the weather forecast for the location(s) where you’ll be camping and the routes to/from those locations
* Finish packing your camping equipment and supplies into carrying cases and/or the car, e.g.:
* Perishable/refrigerated food
* Toiletries
* Pillow and other bedding