

Troop 220 Gear List (Car Camp)

Generally, a car campout will be on a weekend leaving Saturday morning and returning Sunday afternoon. This gear list is therefore for a two day/one-night trip. On occasion we will have longer outings. While some items are needed no matter the length of the trip other items (i.e. clean socks/underwear) may need to be adjusted accordingly. Some gear is required because of safety concerns and the need to be prepared for camping outdoors in changeable weather. Other items are “nice to haves” not essentials. Space/weight is not as critical when car camping as for backpacking but keep in mind **we do not have unlimited space** in vehicles for lots of extras or big bulky items. Campouts are opportunities to get advancement requirements done. **Bring your Boy Scout Handbook and, if appropriate Merit Badge Book/Workbook.**

Travel to/from campout:

- Sack lunch
- Money for incidentals and food on return trip

Camping Gear

- Tent with footprint (Two-man minimum size. Scouts will share tent)
- Sleeping bag (good quality down or synthetic with minimum three season rated to 15/20 deg. F)
 - Optional: Sleeping bag liner or blanket for increased warmth. Depending on your bag may be necessary in cold weather.
- Sleeping pad (foam or Thermarest)
- Mess gear (plate/bowl, cup, utensils)
- Small pillow (or use sleeping bag stuff sack with extra clothes in it)
- Duffle bag or backpack to pack gear
- Water bottle/canteen (at least one-liter capacity, refillable).
 - Optional: Camelback 2-3 liter capacity
- Flashlight/headlamp (with spare batteries)
- Small folding knife or multi-tool with blade
- Rope/line

Clothing

Dress and pack in layers. Weather in New Mexico can change quickly.

- Hiking boots (with waterproof lining, i.e. “Goretex” are recommended)
- Wool hiking socks. (Some people also use a sock liner)
- Hat with brim
- Outer layer: Rain suit (waterproof hooded jacket and rain pants. Ponchos are not recommended)
- Thermal layer: Insulated jacket or fleece
- Long sleeve shirt
- T-shirt (Wear one. Pack one)
- Underwear (Wear one. Pack one)
- Camp shoes (i.e. tennis shoes/moccasins)

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- Socks (extra pair)
- Long pants or shorts (Wear one/pack the other. Hiking pants and shorts recommended)
- Stocking cap/beanie
- Thermal underwear (Lightweight tops and bottoms)
- Gloves

Personal Gear

- Toiletries (travel size toothpaste/brush, soap, comb)
- Washcloth and small towel
- Bandana
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm
- Personal first aid kit (assorted band-aids, anti-biotic ointment, moleskin)

Optional but often nice to have:

- Optional depending on outing:
 - swimsuit, water shoes, towel.
 - fishing gear
- Playing cards/games. NO ELECTRONICS.
- Battery operated lantern
- Optional: Folding camp chair/stool
- Snacks (meals are by Patrol but you can bring your own personal snack. Must not be in tent and must be stored with Patrol food at night)
- Sunglasses

Hiking Gear

Car camps often include a hike at the destination. When we go on a hike you will need:

- Day pack or fanny pack
- 2 liters of water in water bottles/canteen or Camelback
- Trekking pole (s) (recommended)
- Hiking boots and wool socks

Remember the “Ten Essentials” for hiking safety even on a what is planned to be a short day hike:

1. Navigation (map and compass, GPS receiver) (this will be troop gear)
2. Sun protection (hat, sunglasses and sunscreen)
3. Insulation (layers, extra clothing)
4. Illumination (headlamp/flashlight)
5. Personal first-aid supplies
6. Fire (waterproof matches/lighter/candles)
7. Repair kit and tools (knife or multi-tool, duct tape)
8. Nutrition (extra food)
9. Hydration (extra water)
10. Emergency shelter (space blanket, bivy sack, light tarp)
11. Plus: signaling device (whistle, mirror, flashlight, strobe light)