

## Checklist for a “Typical” Weekend Campout

**U**SE COMMON SENSE ALONG WITH THIS LIST; COLORADO WEATHER CHANGES quickly. Snow and sub-freezing temperatures are *always* possible, and much of our camping is in the mountains (often 3000 to 6000 ft *higher* than Fort Collins). Always bring one complete change of EVERYTHING, and several pairs of socks. Then add gear for rain/snow, cold, sleeping, eating. You DON'T need expensive equipment; much can be home-made or improvised. Ask the uniformed leaders for ideas.

**NOTE**—Troop 97 does not allow *candles, butane lighters, non-folding knives, or electronic devices* on campouts. Cell phones should be left in the cars (most campouts are in areas of weak/no cell reception anyway).

- pack & frame OR duffel bag
- small bags for ALL gear in pack (home-made nylon, cloth, plastic, etc)
- 4 pairs socks
- moon boots/etc with removable felt liners (in winter)
- hiking boots (in summer)
- T-shirt
- 2 underpants
- set of long underwear
- 2 long-sleeved shirts
- 2 pairs of pants (**anything but jeans**)
- sweatshirt OR wind breaker
- winter coat
- mittens OR gloves
- ski cap
- hat with sun visor
- gaiters (for snow; can be home-made)
- rain jacket or poncho
- 2–3 plastic trash bags
- sleeping bag (4-season or add a couple of extra blankets)
- sleeping bag liner (polar fleece or flannel; home-made)
- waterproof stuff sack for sleeping bag
- sleeping pad
- headlamp or flashlight (LED better than bulb)
- Carmex/Chapstick & sunscreen
- toilet paper (in waterproof bag) & “pooper scooper” plastic hiker's trowel
- soap/comb/toothbrush/hand towel
- full water bottle (1 liter/quart; wide mouth)
- cup/fork/spoon (make cooking arrangements with patrol)
- tent (make sleeping arrangements with patrol)

