



4th Royal Eltham Scouts

A GUIDE TO PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Notes for Parent/s / Carer/s.

Please read carefully:

Items marked * **MUST** be brought to the activity.

Where quantities are stated it is the responsibility of the Parent/s or Carer/s to ensure that sufficient items are packed.

Insufficient or unsuitable clothing or equipment could result in you having to come and collect your child early from an activity.

We travel to and from activities in full uniform (including footwear). This not only advertises our presence and helps us to identify our members, but on camps, also provides clean and dry cloths to travel home in (considerably reduces the mess left in our vehicles after an activity).

It may assist "recovery" if as many items as possible are marked with a name. Ruc-Sac's are better than plastic bags and suit cases which often fail to survive the activity.

If your child is to pack for themselves, please make sure you check what they have packed before they leave for the activity. We have had some unfortunate incidents in the past, for instance when a child was found to be suffering from hypothermia. Investigations found that they were wearing wet clothes because they had not packed sufficient changes of clothing.

The questions to ask while packing; Can I eat, can I sleep and can I do the things that we are going to do. If you answer yes to all of the above, you probably have with you everything you need. **The general rule is - If it can be broken, it probably will be!**

Please also refer to our booking conditions available on our web site or by request. Return of a completed Permission to Camp form is your acceptance of those conditions.

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- * A completed Permission to Camp Form
- * SCOUT UNIFORM (**MUST** be worn to & from the activity unless otherwise stated)
- * WASH KIT & TOWEL
- * SLEEPING BAG
- * TEA TOWEL/S (one for a weekend, two for a week)
- * CHANGES OF UNDERWEAR (one for every day that you are away)
- * CHANGES OF CLOTHING (one for every day that you are away)
- * WARM OVERCOAT/JACKET (Even during summer activities)
- * KNIFE, FORK SPOON & TEA SPOON
- * PLATE & BOWL, MUG / CUP (Preferably UNBREAKABLE)
- FOLDING CHAIR
- CARRY MAT & / OR AIR MATTRESS
- BLANKET/S (at least one, two or three if it's autumn/winter)
- Stout SHOES or BOOTS (NOT those worn with uniform)
- WATERPROOF COAT
- TRAINERS
- A HAT (essential for walking in cold weather)
- BATTERY LAMP / TORCH
- SPARE BATTERIES
- TOWEL FOR SWIMMING (check if required)
- SWIM WEAR (check if required)
- RUC-SAC (Plastic bags/bin liners will almost certainly not last the journey there)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS REQUIRED
