

Troop 82 Scout Uniform and Personal Equipment Checklist

Uniforms

Scouts must be in uniform for all Monday night meetings and Courts of Honor. Uniforms consist of 1) a BSA tan shirt (short sleeve, micro-fiber ones are most popular) with green shoulder loop epaulets, 2) BSA green pants or shorts, 3) BSA belt, 4) BSA green socks, and 5) no sneakers. Scout uniforms can be purchased at the Scout Store (8605 Harry Hines Boulevard). The staff at the Scout Shop is very helpful and will know what you need.

The patches you will need are 1) the World Crest and Messenger of Peace Ring, 2) Council shoulder emblem, 3) unit numbers (82) in tan/green (not red), and 4) patrol patch. You can buy pre-sewn shirts at the Scout Store (highly recommended) but you will still need to sew on the unit numbers and patrol patch. There is information in the Scout Handbook about where to sew the patches.

A merit badge sash will be given to your son at the first Court of Honor so there is no need to purchase one. Note: Troop 82 does not wear headgear or neckerchiefs.

Boy Scout Handbook

The Scout Handbook is the most important piece of equipment! Scouts must bring the Boy Scout Handbook to all Monday night meetings and campouts. Scout Handbooks are available at the Scout Store. The spiral bound version is best.

Scout Personal Equipment

- REI has great equipment and is close (and usually has a great Labor Day sale!). The Scout Store also carries good equipment.
- Backpack (scouts carry their gear into camp 1-5 miles)
- Sleeping bag (get one rated to 25 degrees)
- Ground pad (foam or self-inflatable) for under sleeping bag. Foam is perfectly adequate and easiest for boys to work with.
- Tent – “2 man” (typically one scout per tent plus gear); the easier the set-up, the better. The Camp Dome 2 at REI is great.
- Ground cloth under tent
- Camp Chair
- Water bottle
- Mess kit (heavy duty plastic plate or bowl, cup, knife, fork, and spoon). Don't buy a metal mess kit with the pots, etc.
- Headlamp (really useful) and/or flashlight (and extra batteries for both)
- Orienteering compass (Silva 1-2-3 or Silva Polaris)– this won't be needed until the spring and you may want to wait to buy it so it doesn't get lost.
- Rain gear (Frogg Toggs are great; ponchos work too)

- Mosquito repellent (plastic pump bottle)
- Sunscreen
- Personal first aid kit—this will be assembled by your son as part of Trail to First Class. You don't need to buy one.
- Pen/pencil
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Two changes of clothes appropriate for season (no need for uniform unless otherwise told). Bring old clothes—campouts are dirty and boys are boys!
- At least two pairs of socks
- Stocking cap and gloves (VERY important for cold weather campouts)
- Knife – must be folding lock blade; max 3" blade. No knives in sheaths.