

Basic Camping Equipment Checklist

This list is contributed by our seasoned campers. Feel free to make suggestions of your own. Remember to Check Your Batteries! Cross out any items that you do not require.



Shelter & Bedding

- Sleeping Bags or Thermal Blankets
- Ground Cloth or Tarp for Big Tents
- Floor Mat (For tent entrance)
- Rug or AstroTurf (For tent interior)
- Air Mattress, Ground Pads, or Cots
- Inflator for Air Mattress
- Pillows
- Tent
- Seam Sealer
- Camp Axe or Mallet (For tent stakes)
- Shade Canopy, Rope & Stakes
- Emergency blanket
- Folding Chairs
- Screened Shelter
- Camping Shovel

Lighting & Campfire

- Maglight or Large Search Light
- Gas or Electric Lantern
- Tikki Torches (fill with citronella oil),
- BIC Lighter
- Fire Starters
- Butane Matches
- Matches (preferably water proof)
- Water Bucket
- Spare Batteries and Bulbs
- Spare Lantern Fuel and Mantles
- Extension cords
- Glow Sticks

Communications

- Whistles
- Signaling Mirror
- Radio and/or Portable TV
- Cell Phone w/Car Charger
- Two-Way Radios
- Pads of paper and pencils/pens

Miscellaneous

- Swiss Army knife
- Compass and Map
- Fishing Pole and Tackle (with license & bait)
- Plastic Drop Cloth
- Duct Tape and/or Electrical Tape
- Safety Pins
- Sewing Kit
- Camera and Film
- Camcorder w/good battery and extra tapes
- Books
- Playing Cards
- Games & Toys (For your kids)
- Wallet w/Money, Credit Card, Identification
- Binoculars
- Travel Clock
- Clothesline and Clothespins
- Basic Toolkit (screwdrivers, pliers, etc.)
- Rope or String
- Fly Swatter
- Insect Repellent (DEET)

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