Backpacking Packing List

What you should be wearing

- 1. Thick Hiking Socks ¹
- 2. Underwear ²
- 3. Scout Pants (Nylon or polyester blend)
- 4. Class A scout shirt
- 5. Red Scout shirt3
- 6. Jacket layers as needed ⁴
- 7. Shoes (boots or tennis shoes)
- 8. Watch (Required)
- 9. Scout Hat (Knitted cap if it is cold)
- 10. Money/ID⁵
- 11. Sack lunch if required

In your backpack should have the following:6

- Sleeping bag (in a water proof stuff sack or stuffed with a water proof liner)
- 2. Ground sheet 7
- 3. Ground pad
- 4. Dry warm cloths to sleep in⁸
- Jacket layers⁴
- 6. Rain gear⁹
- 7. Water (minimum of 2 liters, older scouts should consider 3L)
- 8. Flashlight w\ new batteries (AA or AAA)
- 9. Tent stakes (minimum of 6)

- 10. Bug spray (optional/seasonal)¹⁰
- 11. Sunscreen¹⁰
- 12. Pen and paper (Older scouts should have their scout hand book)
- 13. Toilet paper¹¹
- 14. Tooth brush and paste¹⁰
- 15. Soap and or hand sanitizer¹⁰
- 16. Rope (1/8 in Diam. 1x25ft and 2x12.5ft)
- 17. Fire starter
- 18. Eating utensils (consider spoon only)
- 19. Cup and Bowl
- 20. Personal First aid kit
- 21. Whistle
- 22. Map and compass
- 23. Pocket knife
- 24. Pack cover (optional if items in backpack are waterproofed)
- 25. Deck of cards (optional)¹²
- 26. Snacks (optional)
- 27. Spare Ziploc bags, and garbage bag
- 28. Your share of patrol gear (Tent/tent parts, food, pots, utensils, etc)
- 29. Day pack (Optional if a day hike is planned)
- 30. Bandanna(Optional)

¹ Undersocks should be worn if worried about blisters

² Thermal underwear should be worn if it is cold

³ Scout shirt should be worn under dress shirt

⁴ Jacket layers are defined as a base layer, insulating layer, wind/elements layer

⁵ Money is generally not needed for backpacking, but scouts should have some cash with them if needed during a pit stop to or from a trail head

⁶ backpack must be designed for hiking with a proper waist belt

⁷ 7 x 9 foot ground cloth, 6mill plastic or Tyvek type material

⁸ Clothes to sleep in includes socks a knitted cap, along with thermal underwear or socks underwear a clean shirt and pants. Avoid wearing cotton.

⁹ Rain gear may be combined with Jacket layers. Rain gear may include a poncho or a rain suit or just rain pants if top jacket layer is water proof

¹⁰ Don't bring a large tube or amount. Think airports travel size, just enough for the trip

¹¹ Do not bring a whole roll. Take what you need. Keep in mind toilet paper might be used to AP your patrol dishes.

¹² Not recommended for first time backpackers

For cold weather:

- More Layers of clothing (usually fleece and/or a turtle neck and/or sweatshirt and/or outer shell)
- 2. Beanie/stocking cap/ knitted hat
- 3. Gloves

For multi day hiking:

- 1. One set of spare clothing for base camp (socks, shoes, underwear, pants, and shirt)
- 2. One pair of extra shoes (tennis shoes or sandals)
- 3. Swimsuit (if there will be a place to swim)
- 4. Spare batteries
- 5. Additional Food/patrol supplies for extra meals

Patrol Gear should include:

- 1. Tent
- 2. Dinning fly
- 3. Pot for boiling water
- 4. Hot pot tongs
- 5. Measuring cup
- 6. Stove
- 7. Fuel
- 8. Sheet of heavy duty aluminum foil or pot cover
- 9. Water purification tablets
- 10. Ziploc bags for trash
- 11. Toilet paper (not a whole roll, just enough to AP patrol dishes
- 12. Soap (concentrated camp soap works well)
- 13. Collapsible water container
- 14. Food for each meal
- 15. Shovel and toilet seat (troop gear)
- 16. Other gear that might be needed for the menu. Read the directions before you leave (grill, frying pan, butter, salt/pepper, spatula, spoon, coffee filters, cooler, sponges, bleach for cleaning, etc)