



**Troop 240, Boy Scouts of America
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General Rules for Weekend Camping

1. Follow the appropriate camping gear checklist carefully.
2. If you have any questions, call or e-mail your patrol leader.
3. Be sure to check the message board frequently before the overnight.
4. Be sure to go food shopping with your patrol. Have money ready to help pay for the food.
5. Be sure if you are responsible for any food for your patrol you bring it to the church before the overnight.
6. Be sure your backpack is correctly packed. Your hands should be free to carry patrol and troop equipment.
7. **No** sheath or novelty knives are allowed in any camp.
8. Do **not** climb on any buildings or in any trees.
9. Do **not** dig holes for any purpose.
10. Build fires in designated areas. Do **not** leave them unattended. Be sure they are quenched before leaving.
11. Do **not** put any sticks in fire and then remove them. You could seriously injure yourself or someone else.
12. Do **not** wash any dish in any latrine or at any water faucet. Hot water will be provided. Wash all dishes in the wash basins.
13. Do **not** cut any standing tree or shrub, dead or alive.
14. Do **not** remove any animal from their habitat.
15. When you need to go to the bathroom, use the latrines only.
16. Do **not** play with matches in any campsite, tent or leanto.
17. Do **not** spray and insect repellent or deodorant inside any tent as that ruins its waterproofing.
18. Do **not** go any place outside the campsite without a buddy. When leaving the campsite, even for wood, please tell a scoutmaster where you are going.
19. Make sure all garbage is removed from the campsite after each meal and placed in the dumpster.
20. Do **not** wear any sneakers or boots inside any tent. Be sure that your pack is either inside your tent or is well protected (inside a cabin or a leanto).
21. Do **not** have any snacks inside your tent. Wild animals are notorious for smelling out food and getting to it. You do not want to wake with a raccoon rummaging in your pack or tent. Be sure your toothpaste is in a ziplock bag.
22. Be sure to wash your hands and face before and after each meal. Wash before you go to sleep and when you get up.
23. Change your clothes before you go to sleep, right down to your underwear and socks. The sweat in the clothes will cause you to get chilled, especially if you are in a tent or leanto.
24. Curfew for all scouts is 10:00 PM. Junior leaders may stay up until 11:00 PM at the discretion of the adult leaders.
25. No scouts are allowed to use a Walkman or CD player except during designated rest periods.
26. Make sure you have extra batteries with you for your flashlight.