

Troop 111 – Cold Weather Campout Packing Checklist

The 10 Essentials (REQUIRED)

- Map & Compass (or Scout Handbook)
 - Headlamp / Flashlight (extra batteries – keep warm!)
 - Sun Protection (yes, even in winter)
 - Personal First Aid Kit
 - Pocketknife (Totin' Chip required)
 - Fire Starter (waterproofed matches/lighter)
 - Shelter (tent – cold weather capable)
 - Extra Food (high energy snacks)
 - Full Water Bottle (insulated if possible)
 - Extra Clothes (dry backup set – critical)
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Layering System (MOST IMPORTANT)

- Base Layer (moisture-wicking – NO cotton)
 - Mid Layer (fleece or wool for insulation)
 - Outer Layer (waterproof / windproof jacket)
 - Extra Base Layer (dry backup)
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Personal Gear

- Sleeping Bag (cold-rated – check temps)
 - Sleeping Pad (insulation from ground)
 - Extra Blanket (recommended)
 - Pillow (optional)
 - Backpack / Duffel Bag
 - Mess Kit
 - Water Bottle(s)
 - Scout Handbook
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Clothing (Cold Weather)

- Long Sleeve Shirts (2–3)
 - Insulated Pants / Snow Pants (if needed)
 - Sweatshirt / Fleece
 - Heavy Coat / Winter Jacket
 - Underwear (2–3 pairs)
 - Wool Socks (3–4 pairs)
 - Hat (covers ears)
 - Gloves (waterproof preferred)
 - Extra Gloves (backup)
 - Sleep Clothes (kept DRY)
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Critical Cold Weather Extras

- Extra Socks (more than you think)
 - Hand Warmers (optional but helpful)
 - Foot Warmers (optional)
 - Plastic Bags (for wet gear)
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Footwear

- Waterproof Boots (REQUIRED)
 - Camp Shoes (optional – dry use only)
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Toiletries

- Toothbrush & Toothpaste
 - Deodorant
 - Towel
 - Lip Balm (important in cold)
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Optional Items

- Camp Chair
 - Thermos (hot drinks)
 - Small Shovel (if snow expected)
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Do NOT Bring

- No Cotton Clothing **!** (it holds moisture and makes you cold)
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Troop 111 Cold Weather Rules

- Stay DRY at all times
 - Change out of wet clothes immediately
 - Keep sleep clothes separate and dry
 - Layer up before you get cold
 - No food in tents — ever
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Scoutmaster Rule

"Cotton kills. Stay dry, stay warm, stay safe."