

What Each Troop 103 Scout Needs

This is a checklist of items every scout needs eventually. Most of these items are available at the Scout Shop. New scouts need only a few items to start and can add as they grow or do more complex activities. See www.troop103burlington.org -> "Forms" -> "Camping Checklist" for a more detailed camping specific list.

Items to get soon:

- Boy Scout Handbook – Spiral or regular binding (your preference).
- Uniform
 - Class A (khaki shirt)
 - Class B (T shirt available from troop, \$10)
 - Boy Scout pants (long leg with zip off legs). There are various versions. I like nylon for fast drying, but the canvas pants are less expensive and probably more durable. We sometimes have old uniforms parts from older scouts.
- For recent Webelos, here is how to convert your Webelos shirt to a Boy Scout shirt:
 - Keep your Arrow of Light badge under the left pocket (no change).
 - Use the new Troop 103 neckerchief and slide you received at the crossover.
 - Replace the red '105' or '555' on left sleeve with greenish '103'.
 - Replace blue epaulet (shoulder) ribbons with green ribbons. Note that Boy Scouts stopped using red ribbons many years ago.
 - Remove your Compass Points badge.
 - Remove your Webelos badge.
 - Remove your Webelos colors and activity pins.

Items for first camping trip in September:

- Sleeping bag. You will soon want a bag good for 0 degrees F or colder, and synthetic (better than goose down when wet)
- The troop has tents to use, but you can use your own 2 or 3 person tent if you prefer
- Sleeping pad (not a beach-type air mattress)
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Simple back pack (such as your school pack)
- Rain gear (jacket and pants or poncho)
- Mess kit (plate, cup, utensils)
- Water bottle (Nalgene type)

Items to get as needed:

- Merit badge sash (wear to all Courts of Honor once you have merit badges)
- Sturdy pair of hiking boots.