



Potawatomi Area Council Wood Badge

Pre-Course Participant Guide



PACKING LIST – WHAT TO BRING

- ♣ Paperwork
 - Completed Health Form (if not already turned in.)
 - Pre-course Assignment—Twenty Questions
- ♣ Complete Official Scout uniform
 - Uniform shirt
 - Uniform pants or shorts
 - Scout belt
 - Scout socks
- ♣ Clothing – Dress for the weather
 - T-shirts
 - Underwear
 - Sweatshirt
 - Jacket/Coat
 - Sleepwear
 - Shoes/Boots
 - Extra shoes
 - Rain gear (poncho or rain suit)
 - Gloves and winter hat
- ♣ Personal Hygiene
 - Toothbrush & toothpaste
 - Dental floss
 - Soap in carrier or plastic bag
 - Comb or brush
 - Towel & washcloth
 - Deodorant
 - Handkerchiefs or tissues
 - Medications in labeled containers
 - Ear plugs (Scouters tend to snore)
- ♣ Camping gear
 - Backpack or duffle bag
 - Flashlight with extra batteries
 - Water bottle or canteen
 - Plate, bowl, cup – ②
 - Fork, spoon, knife – ②
 - Pocket knife or multi-tool
 - Personal First Aid Kit
 - Notebook & pen or pencils
 - Small day pack
 - Tent with rain fly and ground cloth – ②
- ♣ Bedding
 - Sleeping pad or air mattress – ②
 - Sleeping bag or sheets & blanket
 - Pillow
- ♣ Other Items
 - Watch
 - Camera
 - Sunglasses
 - Work gloves – ②
 - Whistle
 - Nylon cord
 - Repair kit
 - Camp songs or skit books
 - Sunglasses
 - Small folding camp stool or chair – ②
 - Alarm clock
 - Religious books

② = Needed second weekend only

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Fireworks of any type
- Alcohol or illegal drugs
- Firearms and ammunition
- Archery bows and arrows
- Sheath knives
- Wrist rockets or sling shots
- Generators
- Televisions, radios, CD players, etc.

Camp Long Lake has a **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY** for illegal drugs and alcohol. Violation will result in confiscation, police notification, and dismissal from the course.



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HOW TO PACK

First Weekend

Wear your uniform. Carry the following items in your small day pack:

- ✿ Sweatshirt or Jacket
- ✿ Rain gear
- ✿ Medications
- ✿ Flashlight
- ✿ Water bottle
- ✿ Notebook & pen or pencils
- ✿ Camera

When you check in you will be directed where to put your duffle bag or backpack. The quartermasters will transport your gear to your assigned cabin. You will not have access to your duffle bag or backpack until after dinner.

Second Weekend

The second weekend of the course, leave your gear in your vehicle until after you check in. Shortly after everyone arrives, your patrol will be given direction to transport your personal gear and your patrol's equipment to your campsite for set up. Your patrol will need to furnish whatever tents, cooking supplies, coolers, lanterns, etc. to be self-contained in your campsite. We will provide each patrol with a canvas dining fly and picnic table. We will also provide each patrol 2 Dutch ovens, if requested. Vehicles must remain in the designated parking lot. You will be carrying your gear to your campsite.



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COURSE UNIFORM

Required Uniform

During the course, you will be required to wear the complete official BSA field uniform of your position in Scouting. If you serve in more than one capacity (for example, as both an Assistant Scoutmaster and a Cubmaster), wear the uniform representing the position in which you are most active. The complete official uniform includes:

- ✿ Official Scout shirt (long sleeve or short sleeve)
- ✿ Official Scout pants or shorts
- ✿ Official Scout belt and buckle (leather or web)
- ✿ Official Scout socks (any length)
- ✿ A Wood Badge course hat will be provided and worn by everyone
- ✿ A Wood Badge neckerchief will be provided and worn by everyone

Please inspect your uniform before the course and make any corrections to the placement of your uniform insignia. For the Wood Badge course, insignia should consist of:

- ✿ Council shoulder patch
- ✿ World Scout Crest
- ✿ Unit numerals
- ✿ Shoulder loops in color of primary position
- ✿ Position Patch

Should you have any questions, please refer to the BSA Uniform Inspection Sheet or the current Guide to Awards and Insignia. Both of these documents are available at pac-woodbadge.org.

Schedule for Wearing the Uniform

The complete uniform will be worn for all of the following activities:

- ✿ All troop assemblies and flag ceremonies
- ✿ All meal times
- ✿ All troop and patrol presentations
- ✿ All troop and patrol activities

As you can see, you will be in your complete uniform for most of the course. If you have additional uniform pieces, such as a second shirt, pants or shorts, you might want to consider bringing them. The only times you may wear other clothing will be during the evening in your patrol sites, during the service project on the second weekend, or when approved by the Scoutmaster for certain activities.

You will receive a **Wood Badge course t-shirt** that will be worn during the service project on the second weekend, and when approved by the Scoutmaster for certain activities.

Nametag

Your course nametag will be given to you at registration. You are expected to wear it during the entire course.