



# PACK 713

Family Camping Guide

August 2015



## **Cub Scout Pack 713**

### **Family Camping Suggested items:**

#### **Each Person:**

- Sleeping Bag
- Sleeping pad (for comfort- foam, quilts, yoga) [air mats not recommended in cold weather, the cool air lowers your temp]
- Mess Kit (plate, bowl, fork, knife, spoon, cup) (*\*see Note*)
- Flashlight / Headlamp – with extra batteries
- Clothes (layers of wool, polyester or similar will keep you warmer)
- Extra socks (at least crew length, wool or blend is best for frosty flag ceremony)
- Pajamas or sleepwear
- Jacket, gloves, and warm cap
- Poncho/Parka
- Durable, closed toed shoes (\*\*Open toe/open heel are not allowed per BSA.\*\*)
- Canteen/ Water Bottle/ Camelback (backup bottle in case of a puncture)
- Toiletries (a Scout is clean, camping is not a “no brushing” zone, just don’t spit Crest outside your tent)
  - Extra TP, baby wipes, Kleenex, Chapstick, hand sanitizer, toothbrush/paste, soap

*\*Note 1: Reusable cutlery is preferred. Trash must be packed out. A mess kit can be a cheap set or reusable plastic plates and old mismatched silverware... Doesn’t need to be an “expedition quality” mess kit recommended for Everest. A Scout is thrifty!*

#### **Each Scout:**

- Hat
- Cub Scout Book for Rank
- Whistle
- Compass
- Whittling Chip (Bears, Webelos)
- Cub Scout Uniform & tshirt
- Small first aid kit (can be ziplock with bandaids, cuts/scrapes happen)

#### **Each Family:**

- Tent with: stakes, extra stakes, mallet, ground cloth (tarp/thick plastic the same size as your tent floor- fold under if too big)
- Camp chairs (beach, lawn, folding type, etc. )
- Bug spray, Sunscreen
- Cooler (Preferably with a good latch)
- Optional: Camera, binoculars, nature guides, identification books
- Food- Breakfast is also known as “struggle to get kids moving” ... Saturday lunch/dinner are provided. Suggest fruits, granola, easy breakfast/snacks. Some will rise early & cook a hearty breakfast—your choice ☺
- First Aid kit, medications

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#### **General Cooking Supplies:**

- Can Opener / Bottle Opener
- Tongs
- Spatula
- Gloves/ pot holders
- Frying pan/ skillet/ pots – a large stock pot is good to heat cleaning water.
- Cutting board & knife
- 3 large bowls/tubs (11 qt dishpan stacks & stores easy. used to have wash, rinse, and sanitize stations for dishes)
- Dish soap, bleach, plastic scrubber, vinegar
- Foil, plastic wrap, freezer bags
- Tall kitchen trash bags w/ draw stings to hang it up

#### **Depending on your cooking preference:**

- Charcoal, Firewood, Propane
- Matches
- Fire starter sticks/ Charcoal chimney
- Propane camp stove\*
- Propane Lantern\*
- Coffee pot

*\*Note 2: Propane, Fueled stoves, lanterns will not be left unattended & must be in the vicinity of a charged fire extinguisher.*

*\*Note 3: Cooking & cutting will be completed in the designated kitchen area. For safety, kids are not allowed within the kitchen. Any Cub Scout cooking activities will have proper supervision & a designated area.*

#### **Each Den:**

- Fire Extinguisher, Fire Bucket, Shovel
- Safety Notebook (with completed medical forms/ emergency POCs)
- First Aid kit
- Rainy Day/ Den Activities (games, projects, electives, etc.)
  - Idle Scouts= Trouble
- Firewood
- Axe / Hatchet (with sheath): *Axes must be sheathed, stored in Axe yard, and only used by an adult inside the designated axe yard*

**PER BSA: No pets, alcohol, firearms, illegal drugs, unsecure medications.**  
**Smoking is permitted: only when out of Cub Scout view (not in your tent)**

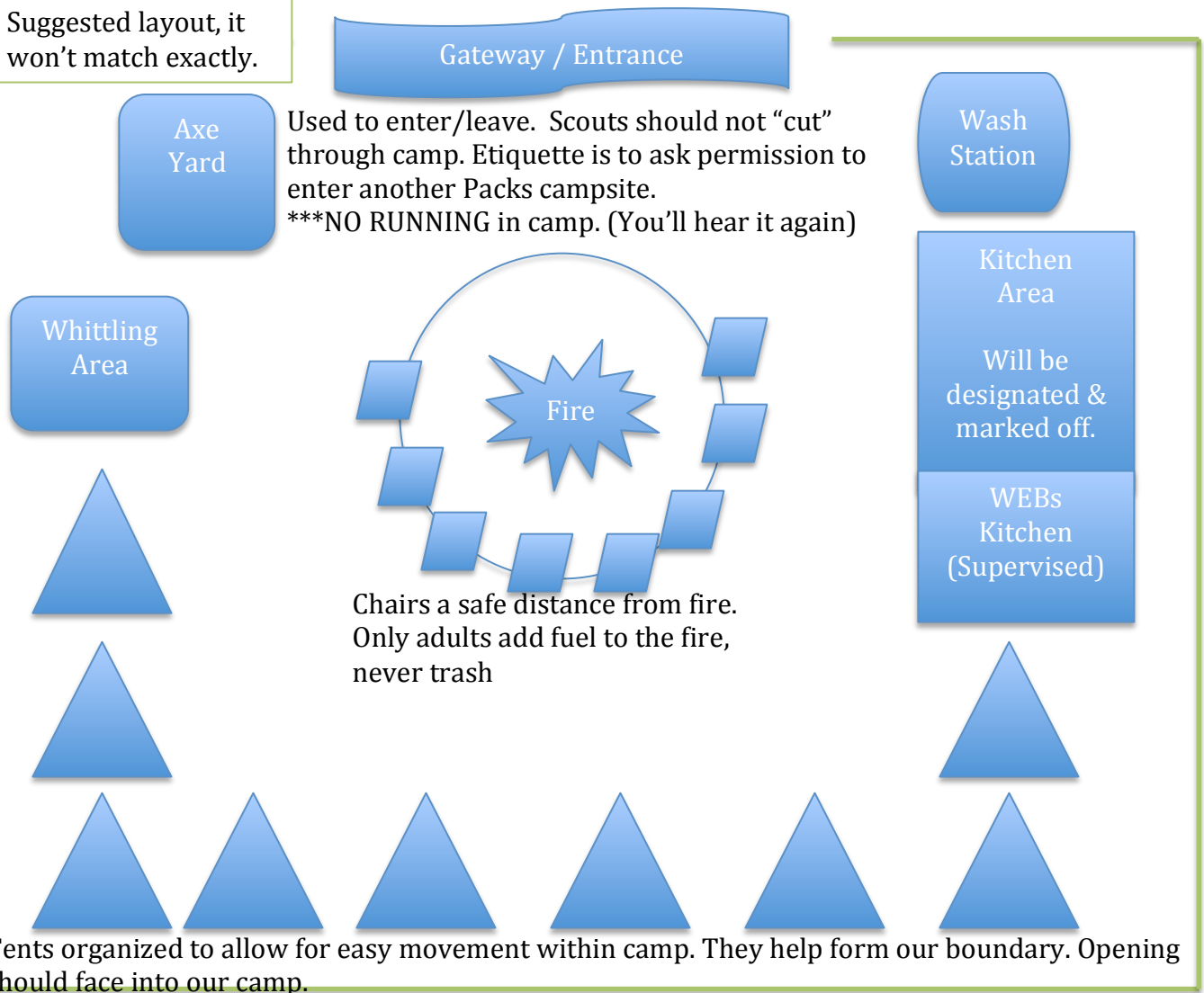
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### Camping Tips:

- Keep everyone hydrated
- Buddy check tents/ camp area to ensure they are prepared (a wet family is not a happy one)
- Set up tent on flat ground, only clear sticks/rocks. Pine needles/leaves will provide insulation from the ground, disturbing them disturbs bugs underneath.
- Always have an adult designated to be in charge, never “release” the boys without a purpose & supervision
- Always have a plan B & C:
  - Knot tying
  - Hiking/ nature walks
  - Carving/ whittling (Bears/Webelos)
  - Prepare/Practice songs or skits
  - Frisbee

**Help is always needed around the campsite. Adults are often seen picking up trash and doing everything for the boys. Instead, please try to guide the boys to do these tasks. It is their campsite and we will be graded on it. They will surprise you!**

Suggested layout, it won't match exactly.



Gateway / Entrance

Axe  
Yard

Used to enter/leave. Scouts should not “cut” through camp. Etiquette is to ask permission to enter another Packs campsite.  
\*\*\*NO RUNNING in camp. (You'll hear it again)

Wash  
Station

Whittling  
Area

Fire

Kitchen  
Area  
  
Will be  
designated &  
marked off.

WEBs  
Kitchen  
(Supervised)

Chairs a safe distance from fire.  
Only adults add fuel to the fire,  
never trash

Tents organized to allow for easy movement within camp. They help form our boundary. Opening should face into our camp.