

# Family Camping Checklist

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\* Marks optional items

## Sleeping

- Tent
- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad
- \*Pillow

## Essentials

- Backpack
- Flashlight/headlamp/lantern
- Extra batteries
- Plastic bags
- \*Carabiners
- \*Rope
- Lighters/matches
- Map and compass or GPS
- Big water bottles/jugs
- Small water bottles
- \*Water filter
- \*Firewood
- \*Camping knife
- \*Giant tarp
- \*Dust pan and broom

## Hygiene Items

- Bag for holding all items
- Toilet paper
- Wet wipes
- Toothbrush, toothpaste
- Feminine items
- Hair brush, comb, headbands,
- Shampoo
- Hand soap
- Hand sanitizer
- Shower sandals
- Towels
- Non-scented deodorant
- Washcloths
- \*Razor
- \*Nail clippers
- \*Small mirror

## Cooking Items

- Camp stove and fuel
- Cooking pots/pans
- Plates
- Utensils
- Cups
- Dish soap, sponge, scrubber
- \*Cutting board
- \*Plastic tub for dishes
- \*Large bowls
- \*Zip bags/Tupperware
- \*Napkins/paper towels
- \*Cooler
- \*Pot holder
- \*Can opener

## Food

- Snacks
- Coffee/powdered milk/sugar
- Tea
- Salt, spices, herbs, condiments
- Instant or quick-cooking meals
- Lots of baggies for organizing food

## First Aid/Health

- Bug spray
- Sunblock
- UV lip balm
- Personal medications/vitamins
- First aid kit

## For Small Kids

- \*Portable potty
- \*Stroller
- \*Child carrier
- \*Portable high chair
- \*Portable play pen
- \*Mosquito net
- \*Toys

## Clothing

- Rain jacket
- \*Rain pants
- Jacket
- Insulating jacket (like a fleece)
- Long johns
- Pants and/or shorts
- T-shirts, tank tops, long-sleeve shir
- Sports bra and underwear
- Socks
- Camp sandals
- Sneakers and/or boots
- Hat with a brim
- Pajamas
- \*Swimsuit and swim towel
- \*Sunglasses

## Other Items

- Camera
- \*Glasses case
- \*Entertainment
- \*Notebook and pens
- \*Field guides
- Copies of reservations/permits
- Copies of important documents
- Small hip bag
- \*Camping chairs, table
- \*Picnic blanket
- \*Bear canister

## Before Leaving

- Check campground rules
- Research nearby wildlife
- Make reservations
- Plan activities
- Get needed gear
- Make meal plan
- Test tent and other gear
- Charge batteries and devices
- Buy and prepare food
- Download/print maps
- Get cash
- Let someone know plans
- Pack everything
- Make travel arrangements