

Troop 17

Things to keep in mind while packing.

Scotland is still a little chilly in July, with temperatures ranging from 49°F to 63 °F. The U.K. is known for its rainy days AND anyone who has ever camped with Troop 17 knows to expect to get wet.

The scouts will be carrying their gear over short distances, so keeping the weight down is important. Remember, we will be washing clothes at local laundrettes along the way.

All Items should have your scout's name marked on them.

There is a now famous story of a T17 scout who on the last international trip, left his Ipad at the airport. Don't be 'That Scout'. Limit the number of electronics.

The Scouts will need a large duffle bag, a large backpack and a small day-pack. The large backpack will actually be placed into the duffle bag, to be checked onto the plane. Please note that the troop has many large backpacks to loan or give out.

Arrive at the airport with the following on your person

- Passport
- Travel Wallet with School ID, Cash, Travelers debit cards
- A wrist watch (Very Important!)
- Troop 17 Cap
- Troop 17 Neckerchief
- Official BSA short sleeve scout shirt with correct badges.
- Official BSA Shorts
- Official BSA scout belt
- Official Troop 17 red-topped socks
- A pair of hiking (over the ankle) boots

Small day pack (to be carried on board the plane)

- Pack a lunch to be eaten on the plane. Drinks will not be allowed through security, so they will be purchased on the terminal side.
- Medications in original bottles, with copies of prescriptions; Give to the Travel Master Mr. Johnson for safekeeping.
- Empty Nalgene (Must be empty at Airport)
- Camera with extra batteries & memory
- Pen/pencil/notebook journal
- 5 small ziplocks (to keep important small things dry)
- An extra pair of glasses if you wear glasses or contacts
- Plastic camping spoon/fork, Bowl, Cup
- Headlamp & extra batteries
- (Optional) Smart Phone (check European Rates & Usage); don't forget to bring a Power cord and a United Kingdom Power compatible USB Strip, waterproof bag/case.
- (Optional) entertainment; deck of cards, fidget spinners, reading material (keep it light)
- (Optional) Sunglasses

Large Backpack (will be checked at the Airline Gate)

- A large duffel bag (which you will put your backpack into to check onto the plane)

Scout Uniforms

- 1 more pair official BSA Shorts (2 total)
- 4 more pairs official T-17 red-topped socks (5 total)
- 4 Troop 17 T-Shirts from Summer Camp; 1.) Grey 2.) WR 2017 3.) WR 2017 4.) WR 2015
- 1 Troop 17 long sleeve T-Shirt; black Flour Wars
- 1 Polo-Shirt Scotland Trip Shirt (will be handed out prior to trip)
- 1 pair BSA long pants (check with the OF, we have many in the office)

Other Clothing

- 1 pair of comfortable walking shoes
- 2 pairs of non-scout socks (for a total of 7 pairs of socks)
- 7 pairs of underpants
- Rain jacket and rain pants waterproof and breathable
- A medium fleece pullover
- Pajamas/sleepwear
- Swimsuit

Personal Equipment

- Sleeping Bag
- Small backpackers Pillow
- Bath towel and Wash cloth. Prefer thin to thick towels.
- Dirty/wet clothes bag
- 2 rolled-up plastic garbage bags
- 4 1-gallon zip lock bags (to keep important big things dry)

Shower-Kit Items

- Soap
- Toothpaste (travel size) and toothbrush
- Shampoo (travel size)
- Clippers
- Tweezers
- Razor & cream (for those who need to shave)
- Deodorant
- Comb
- Sunscreen

Things that the Group will bring

- Lockbox to hold passports & tickets
- First Aid Kit
- Two Cell Phones with International Activation (to be carried by adults)
- Toilet Paper (Always be prepared!)
- Sharpie
- Sewing kit
- 50 feet of parachute chord (drying line)
- Camp soap & green pad
- Branding irons T17 & WR
- Abbreviated Song Books
- American & Texas Flags
- Gifts for hosts, Camp master, Scottish Troops, and Church