



## Camping Stage 1 Assessment



Scout: \_\_\_\_\_  
Section: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assessor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- I know the main personal gear to bring on camp.**  
Scouts should indicate in list form the items of clothing they need to bring with them for a camping event. The Scout should be encouraged to collect and pack their equipment: Spare clothing; Equipment; Wash gear; Wet weather clothing; Repair equipment; Sleeping equipment.
- I know how to care for my personal camping gear.**  
Scouts need to show an awareness of the value of camping equipment. A Scout should demonstrate how to go about checking and caring for equipment: Safety implications of poor or faulty equipment; Keeping personal equipment in working order; How to sew; How to repair items of equipment; The quality of different items of equipment.
- I know what clothes I should bring on camp.**  
Scouts should know what clothes they need to bring on camp and talk about the clothing needs for different weather conditions: Layer system; Outer shell - wet weather gear.
- I know how to set out my sleeping area for a good night's sleep.**  
Scouts should be aware of the need for tidiness, insulation and warmth: Sleeping area, pillow, sleeping mat; Pack away clothes; Tidy rucksack & select clothes for next day use.
- I can collect small sticks suitable for fire-making.**  
Scouts should be able to go off in search of firewood and return with suitable dry wood for lighting a fire. A Scout should be able to identify suitable wood to use for tinder, light sticks and long burning logs.
- I know about the 'Buddy' System.**  
The Scout should be able to talk about the buddy system and explain how and why it is used when camping.
- I can pack my rucksack for camp.**  
Scouts need to bring a packed rucksack for demonstration and discuss, while unpacking and repacking: the value of the method used in the packing process; the necessary equipment to pack; where to place soft items; where to place heavy items; where to place foodstuffs; what is meant by 'first in last out'; what wet weather clothing to bring.
- I can keep my camping gear neat and tidy while on camp.**  
Scouts need to demonstrate an awareness of camp-life (living on camp and sleeping in tents) and the need to keep things tidy, so a comfortable life in a tent and around a campsite is possible. Scouts should also be aware of the conditions around a campsite and the implications of untidiness in bad weather conditions. Scouts need to have camped for at least one night to be in a position to understand the answers they may have to provide to fulfil the requirements of this badge.
- I know the different emergency services that are available and how and when to call them.**  
The Scout should be able to explain how to call out the emergency services when an accident takes place on the mountains (e.g. Garda / Police, Lifeboat, Ambulance, Fire Brigade, Coast Guard, Mountain Rescue). They should know when and how they should call for the mountain rescue service rather than any of the other of the emergency services.
- I know the main parts of a tent.**  
The Scout should know the main parts of a tent and their use and names. While there are many types of tents, the key features are common, for example: the ridge, the guys, door flaps, wall, vents, sod cloth, groundsheet. This Scout should be able to point out the parts on an erected tent on a camp rather than from a picture in a book.
- I can help pitch a tent.**
- I have spent at least one night on camp.**  
The Scout will have attended their first Scout Camp and have slept in a tent on that camp as a Scout. For the purpose of this requirement, nights spent camping with their family are not permissible.