

Troop 690 Gear Guide

Each Scout needs or will need certain pieces of “outdoor gear” for Boy Scout related activities. This list of gear specials was found on line as of March 15, 2008. All items are listed by price, lowest to highest. When making your purchases please remember that BSA policy does not allow the use of “camo” as it is perceived to be “military” style clothing.

Sleeping Bag – Troop 690 camps year round, therefore, a 20° F “mummy style” bag is recommended. Synthetic fill materials are recommended over down because down will not insulate if it becomes wet. The bag should weigh in the 3 to 3 ½ pound range. (Anything lighter is better, but it will probably cost more.) A bag 80 inches long will fit a person up to six feet tall.

| Source | Brand/Model | Temp rating | Size | Weight | Price |
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| Outdooroutlet.com | High Peak/Summit | 20° | 88” X 34” | 3lb 7 oz | \$32.99 |
| SierraTradingPost.com | Alps Mountaineering /Alpine Lake | 20° | 80” X 32” | 3 lb 12 oz | \$38.95 |
| REI.com | Alps Mountaineering /Clearwater | 20° | 82” X 32” | 3 lb | \$44.93 |
| REI.com | REI/Polar Pod | 20° | 80” X 30” | 3 lb 14 oz | \$64.93 |
| Outdooroutlet.com | Sierra Designs /Wild Bill | 20° | 80” X 32” | 3 lb | \$69.99 |
| Campmor.com | Slumberjack/Kepler | 20° | 82” X 32” | 3 lb 4 oz | \$69.97 |
| Campmore.com | Slumberjack/Ultimate | 20° | 82” X 32” | 3 lb | \$79.99 |
| Campmor.com | Marmot/Trestles | 15° | 84” X 32” | 3 lb 8 oz | \$89.00 |
| Campmor.com | Kelty/Light Year XP | 20° | 80” X 31” | 2 lb 14 oz | \$109.99 |

Backpack – An adjustable, external frame backpack is recommended for novice backpackers.

| Source | Brand/Model | Size | Torso | Weight | Price |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|------------|----------|
| Campmor.com | Jansport/Scout | 3850 cu in | 13-17 | 3 lb 11 oz | \$49.97 |
| Campmor.com | Jansport/Carson 90 | 4900 cu in. | 16-21 | 4 lb 13 oz | \$79.97 |
| Campmor.com | Kelty Trekker | 3900 | 14-20 | 5 lb 3 oz | \$109.99 |
| Outdooroutlet.com | Kelty/Tioga | 5500 cu in | 14-23 | 4 lb 7 oz | \$119.99 |

Rain gear – Rain gear should be large enough to fit over your son’s winter clothing and should be “breathable”. Zippers or Velcro on leg openings make it easier to put pants on over boots. You **DO NOT** want a “poncho” or PVC rain gear.

| Source | Brand | Price |
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| Campmor.com | Sierra Designs/Hurricane Pants | \$29.95 |
| Campmor.com | Campmor/Storm Venture Pants | \$29.95 |
| Campmor.com | Red Ledge/Thunderlight Pants | \$29.95 |
| Campmor.com | Campmor/Storm Venture Parka | \$39.95 |
| SierraTradingPost.com | Redington/Low Pressure Jacket | \$47.96 |
| Campmor.com | Sierra Designs/Hurricane Parka | \$49.99 |
| Outdooroutlet.com | Tech Rain Jacket | \$49.99 |
| Campmor.com | Marmot/PreCip™ Jacket | \$69.98 |
| SierraTradingPost.com | Frogg Toggs/Elite Lite Rain Suit | \$69.95 |