

Hosmer Point Packing List

Important Notes:

PUT YOUR NAME ON EVERYTHING YOU BRING!

ITEMS TO LEAVE AT HOME

Money, jewelry and other expensive belongings, cell phones, iPods, iPads, e-readers, radios, CD players, electronic games and devices, hair dryers, lighters, matches, and food (including candy and gum). HP is not responsible for damage to or theft of these items.

Electronics, candy, and other snacks are prohibited at camp. Camp is a time to unplug, make new friends, and connect to nature. E-readers can be used to connect to the internet. Don't worry about having something to read – Hosmer Point has a large lending library of young adult fiction. Food in cabins attracts wild animals and can be hazardous for campers with allergies. There is no need for money while at camp.

TRUNKS AND DUFFEL BAGS

Pack all your gear in a trunk, backpack, plastic “under the bed” storage bin, large duffel, or other suitcase. You will drop off your gear in the parking area and our staff will deliver it to your cabin, so one large bag is better than several small ones. Most of your belongings will need to fit under your bunk inside your bin or bag. The space under our bunk beds is at least 15 inches high.

MEDICINES

Any medicines (prescription or over-the-counter, including vitamins and herbal remedies) should be in a labeled zip-lock bag, easily accessible in your luggage. You will turn these over to the camp nurse at check-in, so keep them with you when you leave your suitcase in the parking area.

LAUNDRY

Laundry service will only be provided for campers attending more than one session. **You should bring enough clothing to last a full camp session.**

WEATHER

Be prepared for warm and cool weather. Temperatures are likely to be as high as the mid 80s during the day, and as low as the high 40s at night. Most camp activities take place outdoors, rain or shine. Bring rain gear!

TICK SAFETY

Although ticks are still rare in this part of Vermont, we recommend wearing light-weight long pants and spraying your shoes and socks with an EPA certified tick repellent (such as 30% Deet or 30% lemon eucalyptus oil) during activities in the woods.

CLOTHES

You will get dirty at camp, and your clothes may never be the same. Don't bring your favorite outfits.

MOUNTAIN BIKES AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Hosmer Point provides good-quality mountain bikes, bike helmets, and other sports equipment for the activities we offer. However, if you would prefer to use your own bike or equipment, you may bring it along. Let our staff know at check-in if you have a bike or sports items and we will help you move them to the correct storage area.

POCKET KNIVES

Pocket knives that fold and have a blade length of four inches or less are permitted on camp (larger and non-folding knives, hatchets, and other blades are not permitted). Please bring the knife with you when you check in so we can administer a skills assessment or enroll you in a short knife safety class.

PASSPORTS AND TICKETS

If you are traveling with a passport, photo ID, or have return trip tickets with you; please turn them over to camp staff at check-in. They will keep them safe in the camp office until closing day.

MAKE A LIST OF WHAT YOU PACK

It's a good idea to make a list of the items you bring so you can make sure you have everything when you leave, especially if a different person is picking you up than the one who brought you to camp. Closing day is busy, and it can be easy to forget a backpack or pillow in the parking area.

Packing Checklist

- 5-7 short sleeve shirts
- 1 long-sleeved shirt
- 2 pairs of long pants (one pair should be quick drying or synthetic)
- 3-5 pairs of shorts (one pair should be quick drying or synthetic)
- Underwear for at least 1 week (for one-week session) or 2 weeks (for two-week session)
- Socks for at least 1 week (for one-week session) or 2 weeks (for two-week session)
- 2 wool or synthetic fleece tops or sweatshirts
- 1-2 sets of sleepwear
- 2 bathing suits (camp appropriate – no string bikinis or anything that may come off when you go down the waterslide!)
- Small day pack for water bottle and extra gear
- One set of “fancy dress” clothes (dress, skirt, or button-down shirt) for last night of camp festivities
- 1 cloth or mesh laundry bag for dirty clothes
- Rain jacket
- 2 pairs of sturdy footwear (sneakers and/or hiking boots).
- 1 pair of wet shoes or sandals with a captured heel
- Personal toiletries (remember, perfumed and scented products including body sprays and scented soap attract bugs!)
- Bath towel
- Bug repellent (non-aerosol, please. 30% Deet or 30% lemon eucalyptus oil is effective against ticks as well as mosquitos.)
- Sun screen
- Sleeping bag
- Twin-size sheets and pillow case
- Pillow
- Water bottle (please label)
- Flashlight or headlamp (and extra batteries)
- Beach towel
- Notebook or small journal

Optional items

- Watch (waterproof is best. Some campers would say this is essential!)
- Book or magazine to read during cabin time
- Stationery, stamps, pens, pencils (for writing letters home)
- Camera (be aware that you may not be able to re-charge cameras – bring spare batteries!)
- Spare glasses (if you have them)
- Sunglasses
- Hat with visor
- “Egg crate” or other foam mattress pad
- Costumes or “wacky” clothes for skits and casino night
- If you plan to play soccer, shin guards and cleats
- White clothing to tie-dye

* Little Bellas and Wilderness Trek campers have different packing lists! Please check the materials you were sent, or send us an email for the correct list.