

HWBC

OBSERVER & BATTALION CAMPS

GEAR LIST & GENERAL INFORMATION

SHEET

Note: Campers should report to camp between 2:00 & 4:00 on SUNDAY afternoon. Pick-up is on Saturday at 10:00 AM.

CLOTHING GEAR:

2 Pants- 3 Shorts- Socks- Underwear- 1 Long Sleeve Shirt, 3 Short Sleeve Shirts- Pajamas- Sweatshirt or Jacket- Poncho/rain gear- Swim trunks -Water shoes (recommended) - Sneakers- Hiking Boots.

OTHER GEAR:

- A completed, camp health form.
- Bible- Pencil/Pen- Paper/envelopes- Stamps
- Sleeping Bag & Sheet (for sleeping in hot weather) -Pillow
- 2 thin bathsize towels- washcloth- toiletries (toothbrush & paste, deodorant, shampoo, soap, etc.) -Dirty Clothes Bag
- Flashlight- Cap- Sunscreen- Water Bottle (with carrier or clip-on holder) - Day Pack (like a small, old school pack or a hip pack)
- Medicines (to be dispensed by Health Attendant)

Note: Anything with a strong fragrance will attract bugs, but a strong body odor will offend cabin mates. Please try and find some basic (preferably biodegradable) toiletries. We recommend labeling all your child's belongings and securely enclosing a list of those items in your child's luggage for him to refer to when packing up at the end of camp.

***For OBSERVERS and**

***For OUTDOOR ADVENTURE-:**

Framed Backpack with padded straps (Borrow a pack, if necessary or contact registrar to secure use of a camp backpack), a Day pack (like a small, old school pack or a hip-pack), a Mess Kit (unbreakable cup, bowl, plate, and utensils in a ziplock bag are fine), optional: a backpacking type tent.

For caving: One additional long sleeve shirt or sweatshirt- Pants (with no holes in the knees and no sweatpants)- Old sneakers with tread (no slick soles)- Small flashlight, preferably a headlamp, with working batteries and extras. Caving clothes will get muddy and will not be usable for other camp activities and they may not be salvaged once home.)

For canoeing: water shoes or old sneakers (no flip-flops) that can get wet in river.

***For PAINTBALL: Recommended, but not required: camouflage or green/brown/black trousers and long-sleeved camouflage or green/brown/black shirt, personal equipment is permitted**

***FOR MARKSMANSHIP: Bring up to \$20 for the gift shop at the NRA Museum.**

OPTIONAL GEAR:

Bug net- Camera- Tee shirt for swimming to prevent sunburn- bug spray- pocket knife

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

Electronic games, or music, etc., alcohol, tobacco, knives (other than pocket type)

THE CAMP STORE

is open daily for campers. All campers bank their money with the registrar. Any unspent money is returned at check-out. Several souvenir items are available at the camp store. Some include: Camp Tee Shirts-Youth & Adult size, HWBC caps and bandanas, disposable cameras, flashlights, assorted size new water shoes, batteries, ponchos, pencils, toothbrushes, candy and snacks, etc.

Mail is an important part of camp.

We recommend 2-3 pieces of mail. The first should be sent 2-3 days prior to the first day of camp.

*****NOTE*****

New mail policy: Only one mail item per day per household address will be counted towards daily mail accumulation .

(Camp tradition holds that if a camper or staff receives 3 or more pieces of mail from legitimate, different addresses in one day he must run a lap around the building for each additional piece! Please do not overload your son with mail. It takes a very long time and interferes with the meal schedule. This tradition is just to add a little fun to mail call. Overdoing it is no fun for the boy or those waiting.)

To write to your son at camp, the address is:

**Camper Name
Hemlock Wilderness Brigade Camp
General Delivery
Wardensville, W.VA. 26851**