Suffolk County Council -- High Adventure Training -- Winter Backpacking

Winter Camping Personal Equipment List

* Available from Outdoor Action

Head:
* Wool/Pile Balaclava
Silk Balaclava (optional - for sleeping)
* Leather Face Mask
* Ski Goggles or Glacier Goggles with side screens
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Upper Body:
2 Long Undershirts - polypropylene
Vapor Barrier Shirt (optional)
* Wool/Polypropylene/Pile Shirt - medium weight * Wool/Pile Sweater or Jacket - heavy
Wind Jacket with Hood - 60/40, nylon, Goretex-will double as rain jack
*Winter Parka with Hood - synthetic fill, nylon or Gore-tex outer
Hands:
Glove Liners - synthetic, polypropylene
Wool Gloves
* Wool/Synthetic/Pile Mittens
* Mitten Shells (not needed if above mittens are shelled)
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Lower Body:
Underwear
Long Underwear - polypropylene - light to medium
Vapor Barrier Pants (optional)
* Wool/Pile Pants/bibs or Knickers - heavy
* Wind Pants - nylon (Goretex-doubles as rain pants)
Overpants - insulated, synthetic fill ski pants (optional)
Feet:
Liner Socks (thin) - polypropylene - 2+ pairs
* Vapor Barrier Socks
Wool/Pile Socks (heavy) - 4+ pairs (knicker socks if knickers)
* Mickey Mouse Boots or Mountaineering double boots + overboot
* Gaiters - coated nylon, large to fit over Mouse boots
* Polarguard/Down Booties
* Camp Overboots
* Cross-Country Ski Boots (if skiing)
* Ski Overboots (if skiing)
Raingear:
Rain Jacket - nylon, Goretex - must fit over stacked layers
Rain Pants - nylon, Goretex - must fit over stacked layers
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Pack & Packing:	
* Large External Frame Pack - with frame extension or Large Internal Frame Pack (4500-	H
cubic inches)	
* Stuff Sacks of all sizes - all equipment in stuff sacks	
Pack Raincover	
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Travel Equipment:	
* Snowshoes with binding & snowshoe crampons	
* Ski poles - 1 pair	
* Ice Axe	
* Crampons with binding and point protectors	
* Skis and boots (if skiing)	
Sleeping Gear:	
* Synthetic/Down Sleeping Bag - rated to -15 or to 0 with overbag and/or vapor barrier	
liner, if down should have Gore-tex shell,	
* Ensolite Foam Pad - 1/2" or Thermarest Pad	
Eating Utensils:	
Plastic Cup - double walled recommended	
Plastic Spoon - should be tied to cup	
* 2 1 Quart Water Bottles - plastic, wide mouth, cap retainer should be outfitted in small	
stuff sack with webbing loops	
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Food (individual):	
1/4 - 1/2 pound meat & cheese per day	
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Miscellaneous:	
Day Pack - for carrying extra clothing, water, lunch, camera, doubles as stuff sack	
* Flashlight - headlamp best, with lithium (best) alkaline (ok) batteries (workbetter in colo	i)
Knife	
Whistle	
Belt or suspenders	
Bandanas - the ultimate useful item	
Extra Glasses, Sunglasses, Glasses Strap, Antifog	
Sunscreen	
Chapstick	
Toilet Articles	
Any Medications needed during trip	
Camera, film, books, games, paper & pen, etc. (optional)	
Cough drops or sour balls	
	

Notes: Contact lenses can be a problem! Zipper pulls on all clothing and pack zippers. All clothing must be clean. Idiot strings on all mitts/shells. Nonfreezing laces on all boots. Defog all glasses and goggles. Develop method for hanging water bottles on body. Adjust and mark boots,

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snowshoes and skis before leaving. Figure out how you carry snowshoes or skis on your pack if the need arises. Figure out clothing arrangements: How will you organize glasses & face mask & balaclava?

- Will your shell go over pile, over polypro, over water bottles, over body?
- Can you get wind/rainpants on with boots on, snowshoes?
- Can you get gaiters on with boots on?
- Plan your pack beautifully, so that it takes as little time as possible to get anything out.
- All extra clothing should be quickly accessible.