Canoe Camping Checklist

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# Tasks:

☐ **Packing**

☐ **Pack light.**

☐ **Choose clothing that you can put on and take off in layers.**

☐ **Bring "sample" sizes of items, it will significantly downsize your duffle.**

☐ **Choose a paperback rather than a hardcover book.**

☐ **Waterproof your gear with two layers of plastic plus an outer protective layer of nylon or canvas.**

☐ **Put inside a canvas or nylon duffle bag to protect the plastic from tears, punctures, and abrasion.**

☐ **Use several small waterproof bags, such as zip-locks when having limited space in a canoe.**

☐ **Tie with a bow-knot that can be easily released in the event of a capsize.**

☐ **Do not use bow or stern lines for tying gear.**

☐ **Camping**

☐ **Leave a trip itinerary with someone.**

☐ **Plan a route that meets your interests, wilderness skills, and time available.**

☐ **If you are part of a large group, split up and travel separately to reduce the noise and visual effect you have on other visitors.**

☐ **Make camp early enough in the day to ensure finding a developed campsite.**

☐ **Camp only at developed campsites identified by their steel fire grates and latrines.**

☐ **Keep a clean campsite and hang your food pack**

*Do not keep food in the tent.*

☐ **Keep campfires small.**

☐ **Burn only dead, downed wood.**

☐ **Put your fires dead out whenever you leave the site.**