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## Personal Equipment List – Intro to Junior

THE ACTIVITES INVOLVED IN THIS PROGRAM REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT. IT IS <u>NOT</u> NECESSARY THAT YOU PURCHASE ALL OF THE ITEMS ON THIS LIST. DO YOUR BEST TO BORROW OR, IF POSSIBLE, RENT THE ITEMS. EDUCO HAS A LIMITED NUMBER OF SUPLLIES TO LEND OR RENT SO PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU ARE HAVING TROUBLE FINDING ANY OF THESE ITEMS!!

- ☐ **Hiking Shoes**: Sturdy leather shoes with good soles, broken in and waterproofed.
- □ **Day Pack**: Small backpack 30-40L capacity
- □ **Sleeping Bag**: Good to −5 celcius. Do not bring a bulky bag that cannot be packed small!
- **\*Rain Jacket with hood**: Durable: Gore-tex or equivalent, or coated nylon.
- □ \*Rain Pants: Durable (full-zip legs are nice): Gore-tex or equivalent, or coated nylon
- □ **Running Shoes**: One good pair and one pair old & ugly.
- □ **Hiking Pants:** "quick dry": lightweight wool or synthetic (Schoeller etc) or uncoated thin nylon
- □ **Hiking shirt:** thin, synthetic *NOT COTTON*
- □ **Long underwear top & bottom**: polypropylene, fleece or wool *NOT COTTON*
- □ 2 warm tops: Wool, fleece or synthetic 1 light & 1 heavy *NOT COTTON*
- □ Gloves: 1 pair wool, fleece or synthetic
- □ **Toque:** Wool or fleece
- □ 3 pairs wool (or wool blend) socks
- □ **Sun Hat:** with sun visor or full brim (e.g. baseball cap).

- □ Casual/street clothes for wearing around site or traveling to and form Educo: i.e. cotton clothes: Underwear, T-shirts, sweatshirts, jeans, sport socks
- □ Swimsuit
- □ 1 Towel (beach size).
- □ Water Bottle: capacity of 1 litre (durable, such as Lexan plastic or stainless steel)
- □ Plastic whistle 'pealess' (works when frozen)
- ☐ Plastic Cup, Bowl & Spoon.
- □ **Mini Flashlight or Headlamp** with new batteries.
- □ 2 extra large garbage bags.
- □ **Toiletries**: toothbrush & paste, floss, sanitary supplies for girls, etc.
- □ Sunblock and lip block: minimum 15 SPF
- □ Sunglasses with 100% UVA protection
- □ OPTIONAL:
  - □ Sleeping Pad: Ensolite or Thermarest Type or blue or yellow foam
  - □ 1 pair of quick dry shorts
  - □ 1 pair sport sandals
  - □ Rock climbing shoes
  - Camera
  - Writing material

## LEAVE YOUR WATCH, WALLET, JEWELLERY & OTHER VALUABLES AT HOME

**NOTE:** Please make every effort to bring as much wool, polypropylene, fleece or thinsulite clothing as possible. Although it is summer it can get very cold in the mountains and these fabrics will provide warmth even when wet. Suitable woolen clothing can often be found in second hand stores quite cheaply. Polypropylene, fleece and thinsulite can be found in backpacking and other sports stores.

\*RAIN GEAR: Cheap plastic raingear is NOT suitable. It gets caught in trees and shrubs and is usually in shreds after the first two hours of rain! Heavy rubberized or coated nylon is great and will stand up for years. NO PONCHOS.

**+BOOTS AND SOCKS:** Expensive hiking boots are NOT necessary. Light weight hiking boots with lots of ankle support are ideal. Leather or synthetics are suitable. It is very important to break in the boots and water proof them. Blisters from new boots are our biggest first aid problem. New wool socks are springly and provide cushion when walking long distances; old socks lose their springiness. Liner socks under heavy wool socks help prevent blisters.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Musical instruments are most welcome. Walkmans, iPods, radios and video games are NOT allowed. **POCKET MONEY:** Students do not need any spending money during the course. \$30.00 to \$55.00 is sufficient for buying Educo outerwear and purchasing photos at the Open House. Your money will be held in security for you during the course.

NAME TAGS: All clothing & equipment must be identified with a tag or indelible pen.

**RENTAL EQUIPMENT:** Intro to Junior Students only require a warm, cozy sleeping bag (compared to older students requiring a sleeping bag, sleeping mat and expedition backpacks). IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RENT A SLEEPING BAG, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE ASAP. Sleeping Bag Rentals (per course): \$25.