BALOO/IOLS - FAQ

Q. Is this an overnighter?
   A. Yes. You will be sleeping over Friday and Saturday nights.

Q. Do I need to stay for the whole weekend?
   A. Yes. You must attend all the sessions outlined in the syllabus.

Q. Is camping required?
   A. Yes. This is a policy set by the National BSA.

Q. Do I bring my own food?
   A. No. Your registration fee will cover the food cost. The staff will prepare all the meal except for Saturday lunch. We will provide the ingredients for lunch and you will prepare the meal in your campsite.

Q. Do I need a tent or do you provide one?
   A. It is preferred you bring your own tent. But if you do not have a tent ask a Scout BSA troop if you could borrow one of theirs for the weekend or call the course director and we will try to make some arrangements.

Q. What do I need to bring for the weekend?
   A. See list below

Q. I am an Eagle Scout, can I test out?
   A. No. Even though we will be teaching all the skills you learned as an Eagle Scout, the purpose of this training is to teach you how to teach the scouts in your unit.

Q. Is a uniform required?
   A. This is a uniform activity. But to cut down your expenses, if you do not have a uniform, civilian clothes are OK.

Q. I have dietary needs, do I bring my own food?
   A. There is a question on the registration form for any dietary restrictions. Please note the restrictions here. The catering will be in touch with you about your restrictions.

Q. I have physical disabilities, How can I be accommodated.
   A. We will make every effort to accommodate you physical need. Please note your disability on the registration form and a staff member will be in touch with you before the course.
Personal Gear for a BALOO/IOLS Weekend

Equipment list

- Class A uniform for the entire event (If you don’t already own one, Do NOT buy special for this event)
- Waterproof boots and back up shoes/sneakers etc.
- Extra socks including wool or wool blend
- Rain Gear
- Toiletries
- Changes of clothes
- Medical form part A&B (We will provide extra blanks for you)
- Tent for yourself or to share
- Ground cloth
- Ground pad
- Sleeping bag
- Flashlight
- Light Loose Layers for cool, cold or damp weather: Clothing of manmade or wicking materials
- Reusable cup, spoon, fork and bowl
- Pocket knife
- Water bottle
- First Aid Kit
- Notebook and pencil
- Compass if you already own one
- Small day pack for hiking around camp, separate from what you will use for your gear for the trip

Do not bring any patrol cooking gear!! It will be provided out of QM including pot and stove as needed

No food is needed or should be brought unless you have a special dietary need. All will be supplied