

Equipment list for Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

Please try and borrow equipment wherever possible. There are often people willing to lend you some equipment, rather than buying something new, especially if it is unlikely to be used again. Hope Valley College has a supply of some equipment which we will definitely lend and a small supply of some other items that have been donated. If you wish to discuss what equipment can be borrowed, I've tried to make it clear on the list, or you can email me at school – mfitton@chorustrust.org

Please contact me if there's something in short supply as it won't be available to just find on the weekend of the expedition, as we start remotely and not at school.

General Equipment

Rucksack (at least 65 litres in size)

Two large bin liners to waterproof everything inside rucksack

Tent (**definitely can be borrowed from HVC**)

Sleeping mat (**we have a small handful spare to lend – ask for one early!**)

Sleeping bag, wrapped in poly bag to keep dry (able to deal with temperatures down to 2°C) (**we have a couple spare if you ask – ask for one early**)

Stove (**definitely can be borrowed from HVC**), wrapped in poly bag to keep other equipment clean

Bowl, spoon etc...

Any utensils needed to open food

Water bottle or bladder (at least 2 litres)

Scrubbie, in poly bag to keep other stuff dry (with travel size washing up liquid)

Torch

Insect repellent, in bag so it doesn't leak

Suncream, in bag so it doesn't leak

Basic washing kit (with travel towel, or flannel)

Map (with map-case) – can be shared between groups (**maps can definitely be borrowed from HVC**)

Compass (**can definitely be borrowed from HVC**)

Emergency money and mobile phone (Wrapped and sealed for expedition, unless used in an emergency)

A couple of spare bin-liners / poly bags

Clothing (minimum requirement described)

Waterproof jacket (must have taped seams and full hood) (**we have a couple spare – ask for one early**)

Waterproof trousers (must have taped seams)

Fleece or warm top

Mid-layer fleece or semi-warm top

T-shirt x 2 (one for each day)

Non-denim trousers

Shorts if forecast is hot

Two pairs of good walking socks (+1 dry pair for sleeping in if cold)

Good pair of walking boots (leather or fabric, ideally should be higher than trainers around the ankle, ie: provide some ankle support)

Warm hat

Sun hat

Sunglasses (if you need them)

Thin gloves

Buying equipment

There are plenty of good outdoor shops in this part of the world from Sheffield, through the Hope Valley, down to Bakewell and across into Stockport and Manchester. Phone the shop in advance and see what they offer in terms of

DofE discount. Your child can show the shop their eDofE account as proof they're on the scheme. Lots of local shops are very used to catering for DofE.