



First-Aid Supplies and Skills

You cannot render first aid if you do not have the tools and supplies necessary to treat an injured or ill person. A well-stocked first-aid kit is an essential item for all first-aiders. Equally important is learning and practicing difficult first-aid skills such as how to safely transport an ill person or an accident victim.

Personal First-Aid Kit

Carrying a few first-aid items on hikes and campouts will allow you to treat scratches, blisters, and other minor injuries and to provide initial care for more serious emergencies. You should be able to fit everything in a resealable plastic bag. Always take your personal first-aid kit when you set out on a Scout adventure. Your kit should include as a minimum the following:

- Adhesive bandages (6)
- Sterile gauze pads, 3-by-3-inch (2)
- Adhesive tape (1 small roll)
- Moleskin, 3-by-6-inch (1)
- Soap (1 small bar) or alcohol-based hand sanitizing gel (1 travel size bottle)
- Triple antibiotic ointment (1 small tube)
- Scissors (1 pair)
- Nonlatex disposable gloves (1 pair)
- CPR breathing barrier (1)
- Pencil and paper

