

# Preparing for Summer Camp (3)

## May

- Do a Q&A on lone camping
- Look at filling in an Overnight Approval Form

## June

- Wrap up on the key topics for your camp
- Give some ideas on how you might review the planning of your camp



# Lone Patrol Camp

## What's so special about lone patrol/watch camping?

Lone camping is what Scouting is all about, independent young people, peer to peer learning and mountains of fun!

## Does the Patrol/Watch Leader need a certain award?

The young person in charge must have a properly assessed Level 5 Camping Adventure Skills Badge

## Is there a form?

If your camp has more than 4 nights you will need to complete the Overnight and International Approval Form Part A and give to your Group Leader.



## Preparing for Patrol Camp

Patrol camps are:

**Challenging**

**Enjoyable,**

**Adventurous,**

Activities involving **all** the patrol



Check out this resource on preparing for a Lone Patrol Camp: [goo.gl/qls0RV](http://goo.gl/qls0RV)



# Overnight Approval Form

## Filling in an Overnight Approval Form

If your camp has more than 4 nights the patrol/watch will need to complete the Overnight and International Approval Form **Part A** and give to the Group Leader.

With it the patrol will need to send details of budget, menu, programme, Activity Consent Forms SIF 11/05 and Medical Advice Forms SIF 11a/10 (where appropriate) for all persons under 18 taking part should be attached to the form for approval by the Group Leader.

Scouting Ireland  
Overnight and International Approval Form 

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This form captures the information required by SID 71/10 Youth Programme Abroad and SID 77/10 Camping & Adventures in the Out of Doors. These procedures are in place to protect the health, safety & well being of young people in our care and to ensure that all activities are planned with safety in mind and provide a quality Scouting experience for young people.

This form should be used in the following situations:

**Checklist & Part A: Overnights Approval Form**

- Beaver Scouts activity that includes one (1) overnight
- Cub Scout activity that includes three (3) or more overnights
- Scout, Venture Scout and Rover Scout activity that includes four (4) or more overnights
- Details of budget, menu, programme, Activity Consent Forms SIF 11/05 and Medical Advice Forms SIF 11a/10 (where appropriate) for all persons under 18 taking part should be attached to the form for approval by the Group Leader

**Note:**  
All Beaver Scout overnights must be approved by the Group Leader. Shorter overnight activities in Cub Scouts (less than 3) and in Scouts, Venture Scouts and Rover Scouts (less than 4) do not need to have formal approval via this form by the Group Leader however the Group Leader must be informed of such activities prior to their undertaking via, phone, email, or verbally as per SID 77/10 Camping & Adventures in the Out of Doors.

**Checklist, Part A, Part B & Part C: International Travel Form**  
An activity abroad is an international activity and covered by SID 71/10 Youth Programme Abroad

All international activities - Part A Overnight Approval,  
Part B International Approval  
Part C Travel Insurance Details  
 Details of participants taking part (respectively of duration)

Section  Group

Description of activities

Country  Location

Date from  to  No. of nights

Scouter in Charge/Youth Member in Charge

Contact details





## **Final Checklists**

Now that you are on the final stretch, there should only be a few small things to do.

- Check back over your risk assessment
- Ring all the suppliers (the campsite, bus operators, programme providers etc) and confirm that you will be with them soon
- Make sure all Scouts are ready for camp and looking forward to a great adventure!
- Make sure your emergency document is complete and your home contacts know what is expected of them
- Issue your final timetable

## **Reviewing the planning of your camp**

The best place to review the planning of your camp is when you are on the camp itself. Take an hour or two some evening and discuss all aspects of the planning.

- Was everyone involved in the planning in some way?
- What was the experience like?
- What did each person learn?
- Was the budget right?
- Was support from Scouters adequate?
- How did the planning compare to the planning of a Troop camp?
- Do you have the equipment you need?
- What did you find most enjoyable?
- What did you find most difficult?
- Would you do anything different next time?

