

Frosted Camper Award Cold Weather Camping

The Boy Scouts of America strives to prepare Scouts to live in the outdoors in any season and in any weather. Winter camping offers many unique and fun challenges. Those hardy souls who brave the freezing winter weather are entitled to wear the Council's Frosted Camper patch. To earn the patch the following conditions must be met:

1. Be a registered Boy Scout, Venturer or unit leader.
2. Have camped outdoors between December 1 and March 31 when the temperature drops to 20 degrees F. or below.
3. Camping may be done in any suitable location where permission has been secured.
4. A minimum of two adult leaders must be in camp when the applicants qualify for this award. They are responsible for the health, safety, and welfare of all participants.
5. Patrols/Crews should plan and carry out the following with all award candidates doing their share of each requirement:
 - a. Hike at least one half mile to the campsite carrying all food and equipment (properly packed) to be used for the entire period of the campout.
 - b. Eat, sleep and remain out-of-doors for at least 20 hours in a campsite the participants set up.
 - c. Sleep overnight in a tent, lean-to or improvised shelter with no heating of any kind. Campfires are permitted. Cabin or camper camping does not qualify.
6. Leave the campsite in a condition as good or better than it was found. Pack it in, pack it out.
7. The unit leader must be certain that all participants are properly trained for a cold weather experience. Campers must pass inspection prior to departure with regard to proper clothing and equipment. Candidates must demonstrate knowledge of following:
 - a. Types of clothing, bedding and camp equipment for winter use.
 - b. Cleanliness in cooking and in care of the campsite.
 - c. Safety practices in the care of food, fires and health.
 - d. Leave No Trace principles for low impact camping.
8. Adults must meet the same requirements as youths to qualify for the award.

Patches are available for purchase at the Council Resource Center in Milford.



Frosted Camper Patch Order Form

The "Frosted Camper Patch" is available to any Scout, Venturer or adult leader who camped overnight in 20 degree F or below temperatures. Patches are available at the reception desk of the Council Resource Center in Milford.

Troop/Crew # _____ District _____ Camping Dates/Location: _____
(circle one)

Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Leader Certifying Qualification: (please print) _____ Date: _____

_____ Total number of patches needed @ \$4 per patch = \$ _____

Payment method:

I would like to pay by credit card AMEX/MC/VISA: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Signature: _____

Check enclosed, made payable to Connecticut Yankee Council, BSA

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