CHECKLIST



OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK BACKPACKING PACKING LIST

Our comprehensive checklist for backpacking in Olympic National Park includes tips, essentials, clothing and personal gear.

EQUIPMENT

Ο	Backpack large enough to hold a bear canister	0	Whistle (plus signaling mirror)	0	Stove, fuel and repair kit
0	Pack raincover	0	Multifunction watch with altimeter	0	Matches or lighter
0	Small daypack (optional)	0	Knife or multi-tool	0	Cookset, dishes, bowls, utensils, cups
0	Tent with guylines and repair sleeve	0	Compass	0	Bear canister
0	Tent footprint (optional)	0	GPS (optional)	0	Repair kits for mattress; duct tape strips
0	Light tarp and cord for added shelter (optional)	0	Topo Map(s) & route description or guidebook	0	Fire starter (for emergency survival fire)
0	Sleeping bag (15° - 29°)	0	Trekking poles (optional)	0	
0	Waterproof stuff sack for your sleeping bag	0	LED headlamp with extra batteries	0	
0	Sleeping pad	0	Water filter and backup treatment system	0	
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR					
0	Wicking, quick-drying underwear	0	Fleece pants (optional)	0	Hiking boots or shoes suited to terrain
0	Wicking, quick-drying sports bra	0	Waterproof/breathable rain jacket	0	Socks (synthetic or wool) plus spares
0	Wicking, quick-drying long underwear	0	Waterproof/breathable rain pants	0	Gaiters (optional, but encouraged)
0	Wicking, quick-drying T-shirt & long-sleeve shirt	0	Bandana or Buff	0	Sandals or water shoes
0	Quick-drying pants	0	Sun-shielding hat or ball cap	0	Microspikes or crampons (optional)
0	Quick-drying shorts (optional)	0	Winter hat	0	Ice axe (optional, but encouraged)
0	Fleece or insulated jacket or vest	0	Gloves or mittens	0	
PERSONAL ITEMS					
0	Nitrile-dipped gloves (for ladders at headlands)	0	Spare eyeglasses or contact lenses	0	Satellite communicator / PLB (optional)
0	Sunglasses; (or glacier glasses for snow hikes)	0	Medications	0	Field guide(s); star identifier (optional)
0	Water bottles (3) or hydration reservoirs	0	Plastic zip-top bags	0	Journal, pen and reading material (optional)
0	Sunscreen	0	Odor-blocking storage bags (optional)	0	Fishing gear (optional)
0	Lip balm (SPF rated)	0	Insect repellent	0	Fishing permit (optional)
0	Toothbrush and biodegradable toothpaste	0	Bear spray (optional)	0	Credit card; small amount of cash
0	Biodegradable soap	0	First-aid kit (see our First-Aid Checklist)	0	Wilderness permit
0	Toilet paper	0	Quick-drying towel	0	National Parks pass
0	Sanitation trowel	0	Camera or helmet cam (optional)	0	Tide Charts (essential for beach hikes)
0	Hand sanitizer	0	Extra memory cards (optional)	0	Trip itinerary left with friend and under car seat
0	Women's hygiene items	0	Binoculars (optional)	0	
0	Personal wipes	0	Cell phone (don't rely on service)	0	

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FOOD

Quantity varies depending on activity and length of trip.

- Breakfast (oatmeal, granola, freeze-dried) Ο
- Snacks (GORP, jerky, candy, dried fruit)
- Ο Electrolyte replacement drink mix

- Lunch (bagels, summer sausage, cheese) Ο
- Energy gels
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- Extra day's supply of food \bigcirc

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- Dinner (pasta, couscous, rice, freeze-dried) Ο \bigcirc
- Energy bars