

## **RYDE LAKE CAMP PACKING LIST – THESE ARE YOUR MUST-HAVES!**

Underwear	<b>Sturdy, closed-toe shoes</b>	Facecloth / soap / shampoo
Socks	Raincoat or rain poncho	Toothbrush / toothpaste
Sleepwear for warm <b>and</b> cool nights	Rubber boots	Sanitary supplies
Shorts	Beach towel	Water bottle
T-shirts, long and short-sleeve	Bathing suit	Sunhat / sunscreen / insect repellent
Long pants	White bathing cap	Notebook / pen / pencil
Sweatshirts	Warm blanket	Flashlight / extra batteries
Jacket	Sleeping bag / pillow	Plastic cup (for brushing teeth)

### **OPTIONAL:**

Disposable or inexpensive camera	<b>Sturdy sandals</b>
Stationery / stamps	Flip-flop sandals for <b>showering/waterfront only</b>
Laundry bag - an extra pillow case works well	Fitted bed sheet - prevents sleeping bag from sliding around on the vinyl mattress
#6 knitting needles (if your camper wants to learn to knit)	

### **PACKING TIPS:**

**Clothing:** Bring comfortable well-worn items. Ryde is a down-to-earth, non-competitive environment where the norm is sweats, t-shirts, shorts/jeans. We advise against designer-type clothing or anything of great value.

**Camera:** A disposable or inexpensive camera is best. A camera that experiences a drop on the Muskoka rock is usually damaged beyond repair. Be sure to **label** it with your camper's name.

**Rainwear:** **Raincoat/poncho and rubber boots are absolutely essential.** Rain or shine, camp life goes on!

**Bedding:** Bring a warm blanket in addition to your sleeping bag. Even when it's warm in the city, summer nights in Muskoka can be cool!

**Footwear:** Sturdy, closed-toe shoes are a must for hiking and other outdoor activities. Sturdy sandals can be used for other general wear but please note that flip-flop type sandals are allowed only for walking to the waterfront / showers.

**White Bathing Caps** are worn for safety reasons, due to the darkness of our water. Available for purchase on arrival day.

**Storage space** in the sleeping cabins is limited. A sports bag or suitcase that can fit under the bunk works best.

### **WHAT NOT TO BRING:**

**Snacks and Treats** – Food is not allowed in the cabins. It attracts critters (large and small), can create competition and exclusion, and spoils appetites.

**Electronics - Ryde has a “No Electronics / No Screen” Policy.** This includes **cell phones**, iPods, CD players, radios, walkmans, gameboys, e-readers, hairdryers, curling irons, etc.

Camp is about simplicity and enjoyment without high-tech gadgets.

Electrical devices are just not part of the Ryde experience.

**Make-up** – not necessary at camp!

**Money** - Clothing and other Ryde items are only sold on arrival/departure days when parents are present.  
Please do not send money with your camper.

*Parents and campers, we appreciate your respect and cooperation of the above.*

*Camper bringing any of the above will have them put away for safekeeping and returned on departure day.*