

Cubs County Night Hike Kit List 2026

Before teams start walking Hike HQ will check that each team has the appropriate kit. This is to ensure we keep everyone safe. If we deem a participant not to have the appropriate kit it may result in non-participation for that member.

Team numbers: 3 – 7 cubs plus at least one leader/competent adult helper

LEADERS KIT

Compass x 1

Whistle x 1

Emergency Survival bag x 1

Basic First Aid Kit - Antiseptic wipes to clean a wound, a few assorted sizes of plaster

Waterproof map will be supplied by Hike HQ

INDIVIDUAL KIT – (Including Walking Adults)

- ✓ Wear your cub neckerchief
- ✓ Warm clothing (NO JEANS/SHORTS)
- ✓ Torch
- ✓ Spare Torch or batteries/bulb
- ✓ Small Daysack or Shoulder bag.
- ✓ Hi-vis Vest to be worn by each walker
- ✓ Waterproof Jacket/Coat with hood
- ✓ Waterproof Over trousers (optional)
- ✓ Walking boots or Wellies
- ✓ Warm hat & gloves
- ✓ Mug with handle (for hot chocolate at halfway point)
- ✓ Drinks bottle & Snack whilst walking ie a choc bar or a bag of sweets + drink

NO MUSIC – this is a night hike & sound travels. FOR SAFETY REASONS – no earphones

REMEMBER – All participants (including adults & staff) to complete the HEALTH FORM prior to event via SCOUTSFORMS website. NO HEALTH FORM = NO PARTICIPATION !

YOUR GUIDE TO HAVING THE CORRECT KIT - Cubs

To ensure everyones safety, we have to insist on the right kit. If it's not suitable or if you have forgotten to bring an item, Hike HQ may not allow you to continue on the event and arrangements will be made for you to be collected and return home.

PLAN AHEAD. Please don't leave it to the last minute to check if your boots or coat still fit. Check all your kit is in good working order. Be Prepared!

Remember you can get a discount from most outdoor clothing shops: take along your cub neckerchief (for leaders/DBS adults show an email with you membership number) you should be able to get a discount from the following outdoor shops: Mountain Warehouse, Cotswolds Outdoors, Go Outdoors, Blacks, Millets.

If you are struggling with any kit please talk to your leaders well in advance, as they may have spares or donated items which they can loan you.

Waterproof Jacket with Hood



Lightweight waterproof raincoat/Cagoule



Waterproof Jacket with hood



Must be 100% waterproof. Not all downs are waterproof!

Waterproof Over Trousers



Optional

HINT! PACK YOUR WATERPROOFS AT THE TOP OF YOUR RUCKSACK

Warm Clothing



Walking Base Layer or Thermal



Fleece or similar

Layers are always best. It can be warm whilst walking, but you may be standing around at the start and end of the day. Therefore, layers are always recommended.

Hiking Trousers / Leggings / Joggers



Walking / Hiking / Cargo / Combat trousers



Leggings / Walking Pants



Joggers / Sweatpants

NO JEANS
If they get wet, they become heavy, cold & uncomfortable for the rest of the day.

NO SHORTS
Not suitable for this type of event

Hiking Boots, Hiking Shoes or Wellies



Leather/ PU nubuck Boot / Waterproof Suede leather / Soft Shell / Gore-Tex (or similar)



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Wellington Boots **are** acceptable for this event, but recommend hiking boots



Trainers are **not** recommended for this event

Hiking Socks

We recommend wearing a good pair of hiking socks. These will make all the difference between an enjoyable hike and an uncomfortable one. Unlike a regular cotton sock, hiking socks will keep your feet dry, less sweaty, and cushioned, which in turn stops painful blisters from forming as your boot rubs against the back of your foot while you walk.

Thin liner socks can also be worn under a thicker pair of socks. The main function of a liner sock is to prevent blisters by wicking away moisture that causes friction and to 'pad out' boots so they do not move up and down.

It's not part of the kit list, but it is a good idea to have a spare pair of socks in your rucksack, just in case!

Hat & Gloves





Cub Neckerchief (includes all participating leaders/parent helpers)



Every participant needs to wear a neckerchief from start to finish of the event



Small daysack or shoulder bag to carry all your items on this list





It's recommended to put your items inside a plastic bag inside your daysack/shoulder bag to keep everything dry should it rain



Pull String bags are **not** suitable for this event

Snack & Drink for the hike plus bring a mug for your hot chocolate





There will be a drinks' stop halfway through the hike for a hot chocolate, but you need to bring your own mug.

It's good to pack a drink and a snack in your daysack too, just in case you need whilst hiking

Torch + spare (If LED need spare batteries, if USB need external battery pack. Or just bring a spare torch)







Hi-Vis Vest with reflective trim





Hi-Vis Strips on their own are not acceptable for this event