

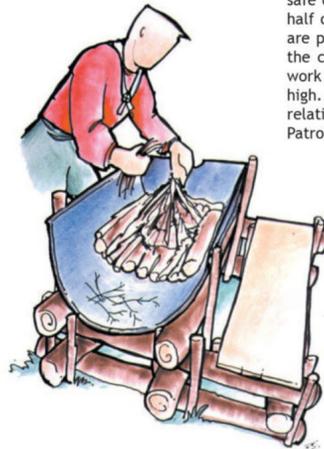
Patrol Site Layout

On camp the layout of your site can help your living conditions. Generally, a site layout is determined by the lay of the land you are camping on and the direction of the prevailing wind - normally south west in Ireland. The location of the fire place dictates where every other element of your site is placed. The fire needs to be at the back of your site away from direct contact with tentage and close to wood and food preparation area. We present a number of possible layouts but there are loads of variations.

Keep safety in mind - always observe the rules for axe and saw in the chopping area.



On long term camps why not build a stove and expand on your cooking possibilities.

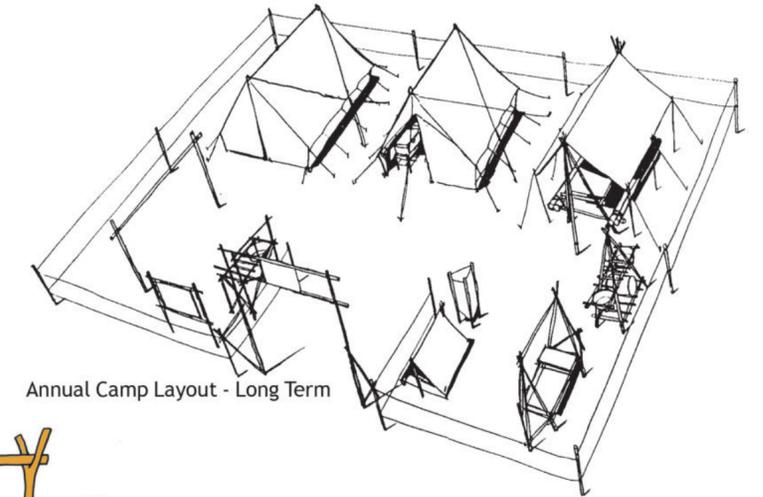
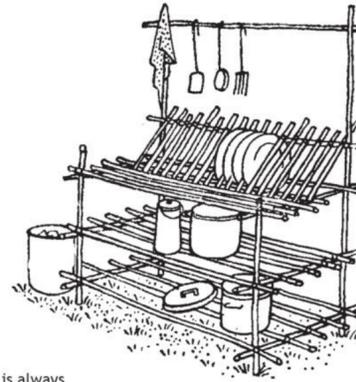


A suitable altar fire design is required for safe cooking on a fire. This design uses a half of a steel barrel. Many other designs are possible. Altar fires need to be built at the correct height so that they are easy to work on safely - not too low and not too high. The height should be determined in relation to the smallest member of the Patrol.



Fire is always dangerous - make sure your ready in case of an accident.

A typical camp dresser



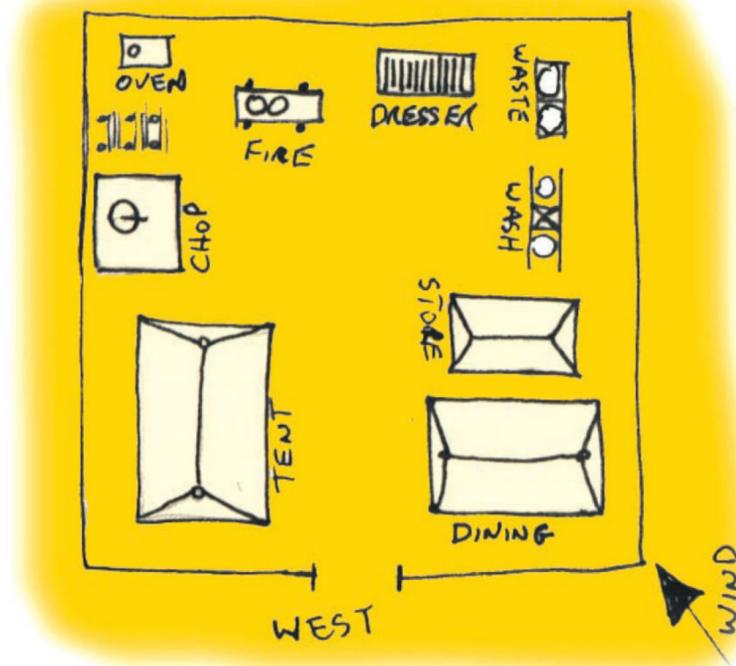
Annual Camp Layout - Long Term



Chop and cut wood for your fire in graded small pieces. Sort your wood for burning and erect a wood shelter to keep it dry.

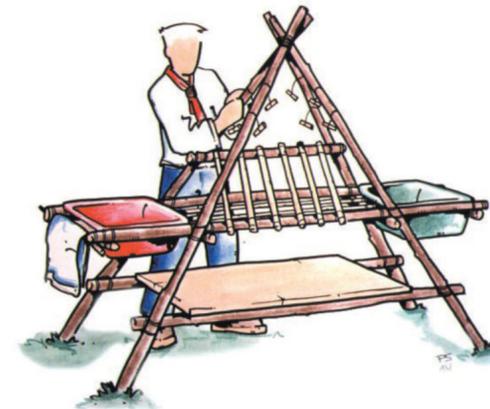
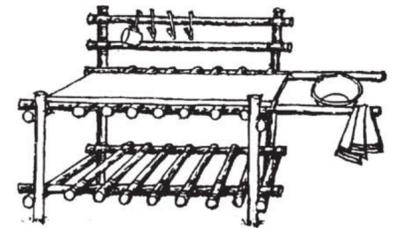


Always keep axes and saws masked. It is a good idea to place a plastic sheet on the ground to collect chippings.



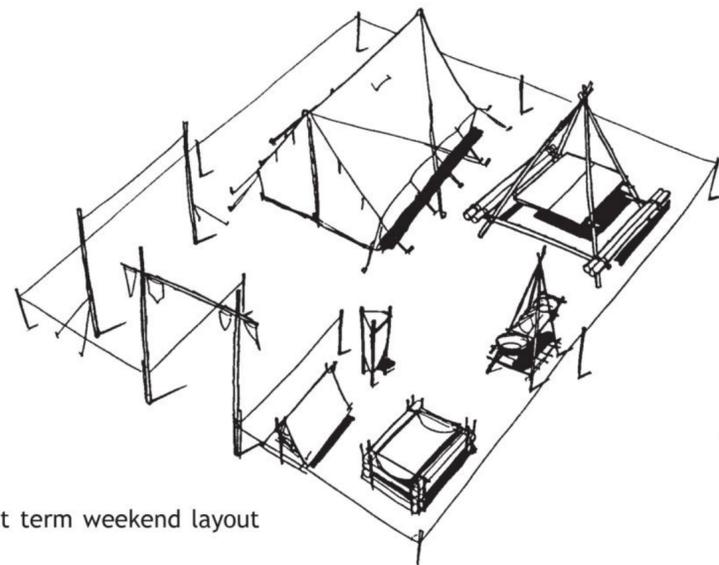
Waste

Waste water needs to be treated using a filter system to remove grease and food debris. Grass is placed at the top level and changed each day. Dry waste, paper, tin can etc. should be either burnt or placed in plastic bags and disposed of in campsite rubbish bins.



Hygiene

Hygiene on camp is very important clean your hand before preparing food and always clean up dirty dishes after each meal. This will prevent insects from hovering around your site and infecting your food.



Short term weekend layout



Pitch the back of your tent towards the wind

Wind Direction

The layout of your site is determined by the wind direction. The position of the fireplace is the first consideration it should be on the leeward side of the site with the wind blowing smoke away from the site. Alter this basic layout to suit conditions on the site.



Dining and work area

For comfortable eating and work area on camp you need to erect a dining shelter.