



Scouts Victoria

State Scout Council

Victorian Scout Camping Standard

(Outdoor Adventure Skills)

Purpose

Plan> The Camping Standard is intended for everyday Scout Camping, not especially for Stradbroke Cup. Scouts should be able to use the Camping Standard to help prepare and guide for any camp and “self-assess” their achievement

Do> Scouts do not go to camp to spend their time finessing their campsite and should aim to set up camp in the first place so they can participate in the planned activities and adventures. Even for Stradbroke Cup and other camps where Patrols are “assessed”, just like they would at a “regular” camp, the focus should be on the Adventure provided by the camp organisers

In other words, the Camping Standard is intended to be the framework for all Scout camps, providing a safe and comfortable environment to enjoy the fun parts of Outdoor Adventures. As Scouts develop their competency there will be less need to refer to the detail of the Camping Standard, but should be available for reference any time a Patrol is planning a camp.

Review> Units and Patrols can use the Camping Standard in camp to self-assess, give one point in each listed item where they can honestly say they have achieved a competent outcome. This can also be helpful in the Patrol’s Review> process after a camp, it will highlight where further skills development can be included in the Unit program.

The basic “Bronze” level is a competent camp “A safe and average standard”, a Patrol at this level should need only minimal adult support. The Patrol Leader and Scouts should be happy with a Bronze result and should always try to progress their skills development.

OAS Relativity

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Youth Leading, Adult Supporting

As Patrols develop their Outdoor Adventure Skills there will be opportunities for Patrols to attend Camps without their own Unit Scout Leaders attending, either as a Patrol camp by themselves or at a camp organised by others, such as Stradbroke Cup. In any case the Unit Scout Leader and the Group Leader have a duty of care to ensure the Patrol is adequately self-sufficient for a safe, comfortable, and hygienic adventure for every Scout attending. In particular, Scouts with special needs, including medication that requires adult administration, is to be clearly communicated to the organisers, it is not sufficient to rely on Scouts eHealth and other general information available to venues.

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Principles of Advising/Coaching

The following principles are seen by the Victoria State Scout Council as the guiding principles for all Leaders at a camp.

Where Leaders are assessing Patrol competency, such as at Stradbroke Cup venues, all appointed Advisors, Coaches, Assessors, and any other supporting leaders are directed to apply these principles.

- Scouts need to be given encouragement through fair and positive feedback.
- Scouts can only be assessed on the equipment they have.
- Scouts need to understand why an Advisor/Coach expects improvement, if the Patrol Leader has a differing opinion, but still achieves a reasonable outcome, then the Assessor/Coach is to give the Patrol Leader the benefit of any doubt in any assessment.
- Advisors/Coaches are to create a positive relationship with Patrol Leaders and Scouts. Preferably, only visit a campsite when the Patrol or Patrol Leader is present.
- Advisors/Coaches are challenged to bring each Patrol they assess to the equivalent of Stradbroke Cup Co-Holder Standard.
- Advisors/Coaches are to be aware of current camping practices and policies.
- Competency is assessed against each listed item
 - One point indicates the Patrol has demonstrated competency.
 - No point indicates the Patrol is still developing competency, but not yet achieved
 - No ½ points can be awarded
 - No more than one point per action statement (either competency is demonstrated, or it isn't)
- Only the "Final" column is counted in the final determination. While Patrols are expected to improve over the duration of a camp, in some instances they may decline, in such cases a point earned in an early assessment may not be included in the final count.
- All "*" items must be complete and functional for scoring at the first check. Any "not yet competent" should be rectified during camp. "*" Items should continue to be reviewed at each check but their initial score cannot be revised to "competent" if not achieved at first check.

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For other camps, daily checking of hygiene and safety is to be a priority.

Checking on personal hygiene needs to respect individual privacy. In many cases, competency will need to be satisfied by tactful enquiry, trusting the responses, and observing evidence such as towels hanging out to air. Unless there is clear evidence to the contrary, Patrols are to be given the benefit of any doubt.

Organised Camps/Venues

For Organised Camps, such as Stradbroke Cup venues, the organisers are responsible for pre-advising Patrols of any "local considerations" to assist the Patrol's Plan> process.

- Camp schedules, including activity and parade times
- Fire regulations applicable to the locality, season, or other factors
- First Aid support provided by the Venue, e.g.: if a first aid post is manned 24hrs, then only a minimal Patrol first aid kit will be necessary

Gadgets and gateways are no longer included as competencies in the Camping Standard, Venues are encouraged to provide opportunities for Core Outdoor Adventure Skills development such as Bushcraft – Pioneering activities and Camp Gateway competitions

Stradbroke Cup Award Standards

Stradbroke Cup venues are to award Patrols according to the scale of points achieved in the final assessment (noting that some items may only be assessed in the initial assessment and are carried over to the final column)

Patrols are to be independent of each other, if sharing equipment is unavoidable then each sharing Patrol is to be assessed independently based on their shared use

Gold, Co-Holder*	153 to 180	(85% to 100%)	A camp which is excellent in every respect
Silver	126 to 152	(70% to < 85%)	A high standard of camp with minor faults
Bronze	108 to 125	(60% to < 70%)	A safe and average standard
Competitor	0 to 107	(0% to < 60%)	A below average standard

Note: Gold - Co-Holder Standard can only be awarded if the Patrol has achieved competency in all the thirteen items marked with "*", regardless of final score.

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Plan>

(Pre-Camp)

1. ORGANISATION – CAMP PLAN			
1.01: *The Patrol prepared a Camp Plan before camp and brought it to camp (updates and final inclusions can be added during camp)			
1.02: The Camp Plan contains a Patrol identification page which lists the names of the PL, APL and Patrol members			
1.03: The Camp Plan lists for each Patrol member; their emergency contact and age (not Health information)			
1.04: The Camp Plan contains a program of activities, mealtimes etc for the duration of the camp			
1.05: The Camp Plan contains a menu that shows all meals for the duration of the camp			
1.06: The Camp Plan contains an equipment list showing items and quantities required			
1.07: The Camp Plan contains a ration list showing items and quantities required (not the shopping receipt)			
1.08: The Camp Plan contains a duty roster that shows (at least) who is preparing each meal and cleaning up and has a fair distribution of tasks			
Total Points for this Section	8		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I can list group equipment required for camp.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Plan>, I can work with others to prepare a menu and food list for a weekend camp.

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Plan>, I can plan a camping trip in accordance with organisational policies

2. MENU EVALUATION			
2.01: The menu can be made from the items in the ration list			
2.02: The menu presents a variety of foods & is nutritious			
2.03: The menu is balanced and considers any special dietary needs or food preferences			
2.04: The menu accounts for the challenges of keeping food cold for an extended period			
2.05: The menu identifies contingencies for inclement weather/Total Fire Ban as appropriate			
2.06: The Patrol adheres to the menu or records any changes in their Camp Plan			
Total Points for this Section	6		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I can help plan a balanced meal for camp.

3. PERSONAL MEDICAL INFORMATION			
3.01: *The PL, and other Patrol members as appropriate, are to be aware of any special needs to be managed by the Patrol in camp. E.g., members with EpiPen's / severe food intolerances, disabilities, etc. Note: For Privacy, personal medical information is not be in the Patrol's Camp Plan. Updated health and medical information are to be accessible to the adult organisers of the camp or event in Scouts eHealth, (or alternative system as advised by the organisers). <ul style="list-style-type: none">Where there is a need that is to be managed by an adult (such as administration of some medications), as well as detailing in Scouts eHealth, the Patrol Leader is to bring this to the attention of the adult Leader in Charge (camp organiser) and hand-over any medications requiring safekeeping. The Leader in Charge will assign management to appropriate Leaders onsite.For a Patrol Camp where adult Leaders may not be present, the Unit Scout Leader or Group Leader has a duty of care to ensure that the needs of all participant Scouts are managed appropriately			
Total Points for this Section	1		

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4. PATROL FIRST AID KIT - CONTENTS			
4.01: *The Patrol has assembled a First Aid Kit appropriate for the venue/activity			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a minimum refer guidance for "OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I can assemble a personal first aid kit for a camp" Larger camps such as Stradbroke Cup usually provide a First Aid Post such that only a minimal Patrol First Aid Kit is necessary, other camps will require the Patrol to determine their appropriate kit when planning 			
Total Points for this Section	1		

(On First Arrival at Camp)

5. SITE LAYOUT – PATROL LEADER’S SELF-ASSESSMENT			
5.01: I have, with my Patrol, looked over the site and identified any hazards such as			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ground unsuitable for erecting our Patrol’s tents and shelters (bare earth that could become muddy, or sandy ground that won’t hold the pegs we brought with us) Tree stumps, wombat holes, other tripping hazards that can’t be moved or managed Possible creek-beds, or low areas that may collect water if it rains or runs-off from neighbouring sites Overhead tree branches that may fall, not just dead ones Earth banks, cliffs or Rock outcrops that may land-slip or tumble rocks on to the campsite or may be a hazard that Scouts could fall down (especially at night) Stagnant water nearby where annoying insects may breed Insect nests (ants, wasps etc) 			
5.02: I have, with my Patrol, considered how the Patrol will manage any hazards identified above, or if we have been allocated an unsuitable site by Camp organisers, I have raised this with the organisers for relocation or other guidance.			
5.03: I have, with my Patrol, worked out the layout of the campsite considering:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We can locate our sleeping tents on a gentle slope for comfortable sleeping, away from traffic or activity areas but allowing reasonable access to toilets at night We can locate our Dining shelter on a gentle slope for comfortable dining, near the Kitchen area and easily accessible for dining and socialising throughout the day We can locate our Kitchen shelter and cooking area on a gentle slope, convenient to the Dining Shelter, away from general traffic and compliant with fire-safety rules, safe hot-water handling and wastewater disposal We can conveniently access drinking water We can locate our entrance(s), boundaries, access paths, airing/drying areas, etc., conveniently with minimal hazards and the whole Patrol understands the layout 			
5.04: I have, with my Patrol, considered the impact of our campsite on the environment:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We can avoid disturbing any wildlife habitats such as bird nests, tree hollows, wombat holes etc. We can avoid damaging or removing any native plants, bushes, or trees. We have identified a suitable location for wastewater disposal that doesn’t impact neighbouring campsites or the local environment We have identified a suitable location for our rubbish and recycling bins If we plan to have a campfire, we can locate our campfire compliant with fire-safety rules, including any local rules of the campground and we can supply firewood without impacting the local environment. 			
5.05: I have, with my Patrol, considered the impact of the environment on our campsite:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have thought about the direction of local prevailing wind, the current weather forecast and chosen a layout to minimise any impact this may cause, including available protection from natural windbreaks We have considered the arc of the sun and potential use of natural sunshade 			
Total Points for this Section	5		

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6. UTILISATION OF ALLOCATED SITE			
6.01: The Patrol's site layout does not interfere with neighbouring Patrol sites			
6.02: Minimal impact camping principles have been applied			
6.03: Walkways allow safe and free access within the site			
6.04: Site boundaries are obvious, observed and do not create hazard			
6.05: Sleeping, kitchen, eating, and cooking areas have been placed logically with respect to each other			
6.06: The camp layout makes efficient and safe use of the site			
6.07: The camp layout considers the impact of prevailing winds and local weather conditions			
6.08: The camp layout considers the lie of the land with respect to which way ground water will flow			
Total Points for this Section	8		

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can help organise campsite set up and pack down.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can demonstrate the correct care and maintenance of group gear during and between camps.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can demonstrate techniques to avoid injury when setting up, packing up or moving equipment.

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Plan>, I can select campsites that minimise damage to the environment.

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Plan>, I can identify possible hazards with camping and I know how to take actions to minimise these risks.

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Do>, I can demonstrate the best layout for a campsite and explain my reasoning, including the type of ground, the position of trees, proximity to water, local fauna, shade and shelter.

7. ENTRANCE			
7.01: Entrance/s is/are obvious (don't need to be structured gateway/s)			
7.02: A sign shows who you are (including Patrol Name, Home Unit Name and Patrol Member Names)			
7.03: Patrol members only use defined entrance(s) to access their site			
7.04: Entrance/s is/are clean and free of rubbish			
7.05: Entrance/s has/have a clear walkway to the eating shelter and sleeping areas only			
7.06: Entrance/s is/are safe to use with no tripping or other hazards			
Total Points for this Section	6		

8. TOOLS			
8.01: All required tools are on site, in good condition and safe to use			
8.02: All Tools on site have a genuine use on camp			
8.03: All tools listed in equipment list are on site			
8.04: All tools that are on site are listed in equipment list			
8.05: When not in use, tools are stored safely			
8.06: Tools in use are used safely and appropriately			
Total Points for this Section	6		

OAS Bushcraft - Pioneering - Stage 5, Plan>, I know how to use a camp axe or bow saw safely (opening, closing, passing, cleaning, caring for, sharpening, cutting) and know how to store them safely.

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9. PATROL FIRST AID KIT			
9.01: The Patrol's first aid kit is stored visibly in a central, dry location			
9.02: First aid kit items are clean and dry			
9.03: Sterile first aid kit items are sealed			
9.04: Sterile first aid kit items are in-date			
Total Points for this Section	4		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I can assemble a personal first aid kit for a camp.

10. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT SAFETY & FUNCTIONALITY (Includes any lighting in the camp, electric fridges, etc)			
10.01: Electrical equipment operates on low voltage only (High voltage equipment is not permitted, e.g., 240V inverters)			
10.02: Electrical equipment including connecting leads, do not create a tripping, fire or other hazard			
10.03: Lighting is functional for the duration of the camp			
10.04: Patrol members are competent in use of the electrical equipment			
Total Points for this Section	4		

11. SLEEPING TENT/S			
11.01: There is sufficient tentage to accommodate the entire Patrol and their personal gear			
11.02: Tent material is erected taut (in consideration of the quality of the equipment) and avoids pooling of water. Includes fly where fitted.			
11.03: Tent/s have a safe lighting system that provides sufficient illumination (torches are sufficient)			
11.04: Tent/s with no guy ropes have sides lined up OR Tent with guys, ropes are lined up with one peg per rope and sides are lined up OR Tent is erected correctly as per tent erection instructions			
11.05: Tent/s are brailed/interior airing (appropriate to the weather and type of tent) Note: This does not require airing under the groundsheet/tent floor			
11.06: Tent/s clear of rubbish and food scraps			
Total Points for this Section	6		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Do>, I can set up a tent, without help from an adult.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I have assisted to pitch patrol tent, unit tent or similar large tent at camp.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can help organise campsite set up and pack down.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can demonstrate and assist Stage 2 Scouts in setting up a tent.

12. PERSONAL GEAR			
12.01: Personal gear Including Uniform if required, is neatly stowed or hanging			
12.02: All personal gear and bedding are protected from bare earth			
12.03: Wet clothing is kept separate from dry gear OR wet clothing is hung out to dry before being put away.			
12.04: Sleeping bags have been aired daily, weather permitting, either above ground and not in contact with trees, or inside-out on a stretcher or mat			
Total Points for this Section	4		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I can pack my own bag for camp.

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Do>, I can teach another Scout what to pack for a camp.

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13. KITCHEN / SHELTER			
13.01: Shelter/s is/are large enough for the entire Patrol, their food and gear			
13.02: Shelter/s cover (canvas/tarp) is/are erected taut (in consideration of the quality of the available equipment) and avoids pooling of water			
13.03: The shelter/s is/are sufficiently high to not cause a hazard to the Patrol or hazards are minimised			
13.04: All food and Kitchen/Eating gear are under cover when stored			
13.05: Shelter/s without guys has/have sides that are lined up OR Shelter/s guys are lined up with one peg per rope			
13.06: General erection of shelter/s is/are sturdy and will not become a hazard in heavy weather			
13.07: The Eating Shelter and Kitchen area have sufficient lighting so that that food can be prepared and eaten separately at the same time.			
Total Points for this Section	7		

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can help organise campsite set up and pack down.

14. KITCHEN / FOOD STORAGE (COLD) (GAS FRIDGES ARE NOT PERMITTED)			
14.01: *The Patrol has sufficient cold storage - esky or low voltage fridge on the Patrol site			
14.02: All cold food items are "within use by date" (Past "best-before date" may not be a concern)			
14.03: All cold foods that are not in use are in the esky/fridge			
14.04: The esky/fridge/s is/are properly closed when food is not being removed/replaced			
14.05: The esky/fridge/s is/are is cold enough to store all items for whole camp at a safe temperature			
14.06: The esky/fridge/s is/are hygienic e.g., No spilt milk, juice, cracked eggs, etc. Raw meat is contained to prevent leaking onto other items			
14.07: All food in esky/fridge/s are in sealed packets or containers			
14.08: The esky/fridge/s has/have excess water regularly drained (and does not create a mud hazard)			
Total Points for this Section	8		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Do>, I can demonstrate how to store food at camp.

15. KITCHEN / FOOD STORAGE (DRY)			
15.01: All dry food for whole camp is stored, on the Patrol site in enclosed, box/es, pantry, etc. (includes any non-refrigerated food, e.g., cordial, fruit)			
15.02: The dry food storage is protected from environmental risks, e.g., insects, animals, rising moisture etc			
15.03: All non-food items such as tools, dishwashing liquid, etc are stored in different box/es or compartment/s to any food. (Note: If sharing storage, non- food items are to be stored below food items, in separate compartments, to avoid contamination)			
15.04: All dry foods are "within use by date" (Past "best-before date" may not be a concern)			
15.05: All dry foods that are not in use are in storage			
15.06: All dry food containers are sealed			
15.07: Dry food storage is properly closed when food is not being removed/replaced			
Total Points for this Section	7		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Do>, I can demonstrate how to store food at camp.

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16. KITCHEN / PERSONAL GEAR / DILLY BAG / BOX			
16.01: Eating utensils (crockery and cutlery) are secured in dilly/ies or clean covered container, when not in use			
16.02: Dilly/ies / box will prevent entry of dirt/pests (not a plastic or mesh bag)			
16.03: Only eating utensils are stored in dilly / box			
16.04: Dilly/ies / box are stored off the ground			
16.05: Eating utensils (crockery and cutlery) are hygienic and dry when stored			
16.06: Dilly/ies / box are stored out of the path of water/rain			
16.07: Dilly/ies / box are clean and hygienic			
Total Points for this Section	7		

17. KITCHEN (EATING SHELTER, COOKING & WASHUP AREA) / HYGIENE			
17.01: *The entire kitchen, including eating shelter and cooking area, is tidy, and free of rubbish and scraps at all times			
17.02: Cooking utensils (implements/pots/pans etc.) are stored away from food in dedicated box/es or compartment/s			
17.03: Cooking utensils are clean, hygienic, and dry			
17.04: Knives and other sharps are safe to use and stored safely when not in use			
17.05: The Patrol has safe/stable arrangements to rinse & wash dishes which is used for all meals.			
17.06: The Patrol has arrangements to properly dry dishes			
17.07: When not in use, wash/rinse bowls are clean and upside down			
17.08: When not in use, mop/dishcloth/cloths are airing			
17.09: When not in use, tea towels are airing/stored appropriately (not dilly) if dry			
17.10: When not in use, dish rinse/wash area is clean and hygienic			
Total Points for this Section	10		

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Plan>, I know about proper hygiene practices at camp and can discuss these with a Stage 2 Scout.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can implement safe sanitary practices at camp to avoid illness and environmental impacts.

18. KITCHEN / RUBBISH			
18.01: The Patrol has a recyclables disposal system			
18.02: Disposed of recyclables are clean			
18.03: *The Patrol has a dry waste disposal system (eg, rubbish bin & lid)			
18.04: The dry waste disposal system has a liner bag			
18.05: Under/outside the liner bag is clear of any rubbish			
18.06: The dry waste disposal system is secured from pests and animals			
18.07: The Patrol is making a reasonable effort to segregate recyclables from rubbish in the clearly defined systems			
18.08: The Patrol is utilising dry waste and recyclable arrangements, where provided by the campsite			
Total Points for this Section	8		

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Plan>, I know about proper hygiene practices at camp and can discuss these with a Stage 2 Scout.

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Do>, I can demonstrate the appropriate measures for minimising and dealing with food waste, solid waste and human waste, to protect the environment while camping.

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19. WASTEWATER SYSTEM			
19.01: *The Patrol has provision for safe disposal of wastewater that filters the input			
19.02: The wastewater system is easily and safely accessible from cooking and wash up areas			
19.03: The wastewater system is used for all cooking, washup and handbasin water disposal			
19.04: The wastewater system filter and surrounding area is regularly cleaned of waste food and is protected from pests and animals			
19.05: Wastewater is dispersed without creating a mud or water hazard and does not run into adjacent sites or common areas			
Total Points for this Section	5		

OAS Camping - Stage 5, Do>, I can demonstrate the appropriate measures for minimising and dealing with food waste, solid waste and human waste, to protect the environment while camping.

20. KITCHEN / COOKING AREA CONFIGURATION			
20.01: The Cooking area is close to the Kitchen			
20.02: The Cooking area boundaries are well defined (natural boundary or rope/tape etc.)			
20.03: Boundaries do not create hazards			
20.04: Entrances to the cooking area are used only for the purposes of food preparation and clean-up			
20.05: The Cooking area has a direct, obvious, and safe path to the kitchen/eating area			
20.06: The entire cooking area can be seen from kitchen/eating area			
20.07: Cooking surface/s are stable, firm, and suitable for use			
20.08: The fire and/or stove and/or BBQ is clean, hygienic, and tidy			
20.09: Gas connections (if any) have been checked for leakage with soapy water before igniting			
20.10: *The fire/stove/BBQ are adequate and functional to cook for the whole Patrol at once			
20.11: *Each Patrol member can lift and operate the fire prevention equipment			
20.12: *All fire, gas, and fuel cooking appliances, and fuel storage complies with local campsite rules for fires in the open. • If uncertain, apply the "Fire Danger Period (FDP) Restrictions" applicable to BBQ/Campfires, published on the CFA (Vic) website.			
Total Points for this Section	12		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I know the benefits of using gas to cook and can talk about what risks to watch out for in regards to using gas.

21. KITCHEN / COOKING AREA USAGE			
21.01: Whilst working, the cooks are able to be aware of their surroundings to avoid unexpected interference, such as; the cook/s face towards the entrance to cooking area			
21.02: The Patrol can produce at least 4 litres of hot water for dishwashing at mealtimes			
21.03: *The Patrol has a safe system for handling hot water such as using metal bucket or billy (Plastic buckets or washing bowls are not safe for carrying hot water)			
21.04: The cooks have a safe system for handling hot items e.g., oven mitts, heat resistant gloves, etc. (Tea towels are not suitable for this purpose.)			
21.05: *For the duration of the camp; near the entrance to the cooking area there are two water fire buckets plus a dry fire extinguisher plus a fire blanket (Buckets must be fire-durable, such as metal)			
Total Points for this Section	5		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Do>, I have used a gas cooker to help cook a camp meal.

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22. MEAL ASSESSMENT (Including preparation and clean-up)			
22.01: All Patrol members preparing and cooking food have washed their hands before commencing			
22.02: All Patrol members have washed their hands and have clean faces and clothing at mealtimes			
22.03: Meat preparation occurs with a dedicated cutting board and knife			
22.04: Non-meat food items are prepared with their own dedicated cutting board and knife			
22.05: Food (especially special needs) is appropriately prepared			
22.06: The meal is served around the time stated in the Patrol's program of activities			
22.07: The meal is served on dilly item(s) appropriate to the food served and placed thoughtfully			
22.08: The components of the meal are served at an appropriate temperature			
22.09: The meal is served in the right sequence e.g., dessert is last			
22.10: There is sufficient food prepared for all Patrol members			
22.11: Table manners are respectable			
22.12: At least 4 litres hot water is available for dishwashing			
22.13: Dish wash water is hot (nearly too hot for bare hands) and soapy when in use			
Total Points for this Section	13		

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can safely light and extinguish a campfire.

OAS Camping - Stage 4, Do>, I can cook a meal at a camp without assistance.

OAS Bushcraft - Stage 3, Do>, I can cook a meal using a camp stove.


23. THE PATROL SYSTEM			
23.01: It is clear who is the Patrol Leader			
23.02: The Patrol Leader delegates the work and doesn't do most/all the work themselves			
23.03: When delegating work, the Patrol Leader treats all Scouts respectfully			
23.04: Scouts complete the work the PL delegated to them			
23.05: The Patrol works co-operatively			
23.06: Patrol members are participating in venue activities			
23.07: When a Patrol member is offsite, other Patrol members know where they are and when they are expected back			
23.08: The Patrol members adhere to the duty roster or record any changes			
23.09: The Patrol adheres to the program or records any changes			
23.10: *Scout Leaders or other adults do not interfere in the conduct of the camp unless for justifiable safety reasons			
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24. PERSONAL HYGIENE/SAFETY – First Check			
24.01: There is dedicated provision for hand washing			
24.02: Hand wash has soap			
24.03: Hand washing is in clean water			
24.04: Patrol members use the hand wash			
24.05: Duty members clean up after the meal and before any of the Patrol leaves site			
24.06: Patrol members are cleaning their teeth at least once per day			
24.07: All Patrol members have showered OR body washed daily during camp			
24.08: Each Patrol member has used their own personal towel			
24.09: Personal Towels are being aired (weather permitting)			
Total Points for this Section	9		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I know how to maintain personal hygiene while camping.

25. PERSONAL HYGIENE/SAFETY - Second Check			
25.01: There is dedicated provision for hand washing			
25.02: Hand wash has soap			
25.03: Hand washing is in clean water			
25.04: Patrol members use the hand wash			
25.05: Duty members clean up after the meal and before any of the Patrol leaves site			
25.06: Patrol members are cleaning their teeth at least once per day			
25.07: All Patrol members have showered OR body washed daily during camp			
25.08: Each Patrol member has used their own personal towel			
25.09: Personal Towels are being aired (weather permitting)			
25.10: Patrol members are not wearing the same clothes every day			
Total Points for this Section	10		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I know how to maintain personal hygiene while camping.

26. PERSONAL HYGIENE/SAFETY – Third Check			
26.01: There is dedicated provision for hand washing			
26.02: Hand wash has soap			
26.03: Hand washing is in clean water			
26.04: Patrol members use the hand wash			
26.05: Duty members clean up after the meal and before any of the Patrol leaves site			
26.06: Patrol members are cleaning their teeth at least once per day			
26.07: All Patrol members have showered OR body washed daily during camp			
26.08: Each Patrol member has used their own personal towel			
26.09: Personal Towels are being aired (weather permitting)			
26.10: Patrol members are not wearing the same clothes every day			
Total Points for this Section	10		

OAS Camping - Stage 3, Plan>, I know how to maintain personal hygiene while camping.

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Patrol:			

Total Points for Stradbroke Cup Assessment	180			
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Gold, Co-Holder*	153 to 180	(85% to 100%)	A camp which is excellent in every respect
Silver	126 to 152	(70% to < 85%)	A high standard of camp with minor faults
Bronze	108 to 125	(60% to < 70%)	A safe and average standard
Competitor	0 to 107	(0% to < 60%)	A below average standard

Note: Gold can only be awarded if the Patrol has achieved competency in all the thirteen items marked with "**", regardless of final score.

Review>

- How did our Patrol score?
- What are the areas where we can we improve?
- Have we reviewed our camp plan and suggested improvements for next time?
- Has our equipment been dried or cleaned if needed and put away ready for the next camp?
- Have we repaired or replaced any damaged equipment?
- What Pathway Progressions can we record?
- Can we update our program for further skills development in camping?
- Where and when are we having our next camp?