

# Army Basic Training Packing List

## CLOTHING

- One-day supply of casual, comfortable clothing (no halter-tops or ragged shorts)
- Three sets of underwear (white)
- One pair of white, calf-length athletic socks (no color bands, designs or logos).  
Additional socks can be purchased at the post exchange (PX)
- A pair of comfortable shoes
- Eyeglasses (no stylish eyewear)
- Luggage should be limited to one small suitcase or gym bag

## LOCK

- One lock (combination or padlock with two keys).

## TOILETRIES

- Disposable/safety razor with blades
- Shaving cream (optional for women)
- Toothbrush with case
- Hairbrush or 6" black comb
- One washcloth and towel (Additional items can be purchased at the PX)
- Anti-perspirant
- Shower shoes
- Toothpaste
- Dental floss
- Shampoo
- Soap and soap case

## **MONEY**

- \$10-\$50 in cash
- Traveler's Checks or Money Orders (Personal checks are not recommended because of limited check-cashing facilities.)

## **DOCUMENTS YOU MAY NEED**

- Social Security card
- Valid driver's license or current state identification card
- A direct deposit form from your checking account signed by a bank official, or the name, address, account number and routing number of your financial institution (if applicable)
- Original or certified copies of your marriage certificate, divorce decree or separation order (if applicable)
- Original or certified copies of birth certificates of children under 18; affidavit of support from parents; court documents and direct deposit forms if ordered to pay spousal and/or child support (if applicable)
- Proof of citizenship (if you were not born in the United States)
- If you are married to a service member in the military, you need to have the name, Social Security number and military address of your spouse
- Copies of your lease agreement or rental contract for any dependents residing outside of government quarters (if applicable)
- Original or certified ROTC documentation (if applicable)
- Original college transcripts; GED or high school diploma

## **YOUR ORDERS**

- Be sure to have all copies of orders and documents issued by your unit recruiter and/or MEPS. These orders must be delivered by you and by hand. Travel and meal tickets will be provided.