

Gateway North Outfitters

Helpful Hints to keep within required Weight Limits

Weight Limits: We have a weight limit of 100# per person. This limit includes everything that will go on the plane with you; food, beverages, poles, tackle boxes, and gear. Please try to stay within your limits. These limits are set for the safety of you and those on board with you. Here are some suggestions to help you stay within your limit.

Note: If you are over weight and need to trim down, any beer, pop, or water will be the first items eliminated automatically to avoid any delays of trying to sort out other items to get within the limits – no questions asked. We do offer a pre order service to avoid being overweight and the beverages are the number one thing that creates an overage.

Food: Make a menu and stick to it. Have one person in charge of buying the food. This helps eliminate any duplication of items. Also remember you are only out there for a few days. Seriously consider what you will actually need for those few days. When purchasing your groceries always choose plastic bottles over glass. This helps to keep your weight down and also reduces the garbage you will have to bring out with you.

Beverages: Beverages can really effect your weight as cases(24pk) of beer and soda are 20# each and water are 30# each. We will not fly bottled beer due to both weight and breakage. Please remember to buy cans. And as for the water at the cabins, it is perfectly good for drinking. Iced tea and kool-aid packets are both highly recommended as they take up little space and will not add substantial weight. **Remember** we are willing to have your beverages into the lake early so it will not count against your weight but you must give us one month's notice.

Clothes: Check the weather forecast before you pack for your trip. Remember it is best to pack clothes you can layer.

Fishing Gear: Sort your tackle box before your trip. You will find a lot of the lures in there that are not necessary for what you will be fishing. Pack accordingly. Also, small to medium tackle boxes are appreciated. We ask that you put your rods in rod tubes (no longer than six feet if possible). Your rods are safer in the rod tubes and much easier for the pilot to load and unload. If you can't bring a rod tube please ensure that all lures are off. And if at all possible try to share a tube with your group. The less tubes the better.

In general soft sided duffel bags are best. Please do not exceed 40lbs per bag. It is better to bring two smaller ones if necessary. **Please do not bring your gear in hard sided luggage or rubbermaids.** Cardboard boxes 16"Lx12"Wx12"H work great for packing your gear and food. Plus they can be burnt when you are finished with them. This size works best for packing the airplane properly and utilizing the space. Please pack boxes with either light items or heavy items together so the weight can distributed in the aircraft properly for weight and balance.

Coolers should not exceed the 48 quart size and Yeti (or Yeti type coolers are very heavy). You do not need multiple large coolers while at the lake, the chest freezers and fridge/freezers work excellent and are already there for your convenience. We suggest when planning your trip you and your group get together and plan. This helps keep everyone from duplicating stuff.

We hope this helps you with your packing. We want you all to know these suggestions come from experience and seeing the problems that arise from time to time. There are good reasons for all the suggestions given. We appreciate your consideration on these points and so will the pilots. If an effort is made, we will do our best to get you all your stuff. If none of these suggestions are followed, it will be obvious to us and overage charges will be charged.

Thank you and if you have questions or would like to pre-order your food, bait or beverages, please contact us one month prior to your trip.

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