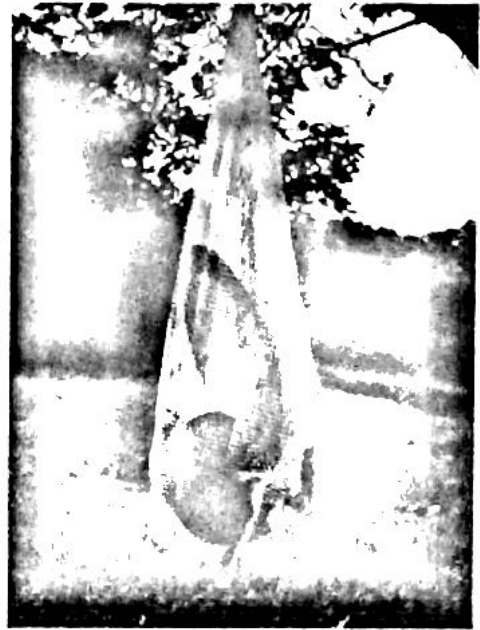


Care must be taken with large groups of children to properly safeguard against disease and illness by practicing sanitary dish washing techniques.

Each girl should bring her own silverware and dishes in a "dunk bag". Dunk bags can be purchased in the Girl Scout store; you can also use a lingerie bag with a string. Dishwashing should be done on a bench or the edge of a picnic table.

Use a five-container system to wash dishes:

1. Scrape everything off of dishes into the first container using a scraper (rubber spatula). Place a small plastic grocery type bag in this container as a liner for easier clean up. Dispose of food waste in trash or pack out.
2. Rinse dishes in the second container in cold, clear water.
3. Wash dishes in hot water with biodegradable soap in the third container.
4. Rinse dishes in the fourth container with hot, clear water.
5. Sanitize by placing dishes in a dunk bag and then place the bag into the fifth container containing cold water with 10 drops of bleach per gallon of water for one minute for sanitizing. You may use boiling water for sanitizing. If you do so, leaders must do the "dunking" for the Brownies.
6. Air dry - Hang the dunk bags up to air dry.



When the dishes are done.

1. Strain the dishwater through a small strainer or bandana. Dispose of food particles in trash or place in sealable plastic bag and pack out.
2. Broadcast the strained dishwater over a wide area at least 200 feet from the nearest water source, campsite or trail. Scattering dishwater in a sunny area will cause the water to evaporate quickly, causing minimal impact.

Grease: Pour grease into a can, let harden and dispose of in the garbage or pack out.

