

## Dunk Kits

Dunk Kits are a set of dinnerware that that is stored in a mesh bag. Dunk kits can be purchased or can be homemade. Whatever you use, make sure it is sturdy!

At minimum they should include:

- Cup (mugs/cups with handles that can be used for hot and cold drinks are best)
- Bowl (hard plastic or metal)
- Plate (hard plastic or metal)
- Silverware (sporks or silverware that connect are great!)
- A mesh bag for hanging and drying.

Please note:

- Some kits come with cookware (pots and pans), but these are not necessary for younger campers.
- Silicone dishes are becoming more popular due to their ability to fold and compress. These are fine for dunk kits, but they usually have small crevasses that can be difficult for younger girls to get completely clean.
- Divided Plates (lunch trays) are great for picky eaters who don't like their food to touch!
- **Label every piece** of a dunk kit so girls know which pieces are theirs!



## Setting up Dunk Stations

You will need three tubs or washing containers, a trash can, and a clothesline.

Tub 1: Warm, soapy water and dish rags or scrubby sponges

Tub 2: Warm, clear water

Tub 3: Cool water with bleach (1 Tablespoon of bleach per gallon of water)

## Using a Dunk Station

1. Scrape as much leftover food scraps off your dishes and into the trash as possible.
2. Wash all dirty dishes in warm, soapy water.
3. Dunk all dishes in clear water.
4. Check that your dishes are clean. If not, repeat steps 2 and 3.
5. Dunk all dishes in bleachy water to sanitize.
6. Place all dishes into your dunk bag and hang from the clothesline.



## Tips

1. Some people like to put all their dishes in their dunk bag before washing and use the bag as a scrubber. While this is efficient, it does mean that you will have to refill your warm, clear water tub more often as food particles and soap will be carried over from the soapy tub within the mesh of the bag.
2. Some dunk kits come as sets that fit nicely together to become very compact. While this is great for storage, it is not good for cleaning. Make sure your dishes do not “nest” together while wet or they will not dry properly.
3. Setting your dunk tubs on a low bench with room to walk on each side means that two girls can do dishes at once!