

Student Gear list 2025

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FARMERS



Work clothing

Wet weather Jacket &

Wet weather pants



You will be required to be out in all elements when farming, being dry and warm will make this a much more enjoyable experience. Please make sure you arrive with good wet weather gear!

Putties or Gaiters



Putts or gaiter's provide safety for your ankles, stop Debris falling into your boots and keeps your feet dry and warm

Oil skin vest or Swandri



Having a vest will provide another layer or warmth without restricting movement, The type needed will differ depending on your Region so maybe worth discussing with your Farm Trainer/Student support officer prior to purchasing.

Leather Lace up boots



100% waterproof. Must be supportive boots for walking on the hills. E.g. Grisport Apollo High Ankle, Sportiva Karakorum Evo/Nepal Evo Black Dakar leather upper with support system

Safety Boots



Boots need to be adequate for chain sawing steel toe cap, steel midsole (or equivalent). These can be purchased at The Warehouse for \$30 if your work boots do not have steel caps.

Wool Beanie



A beanie will allow extra warmth when needed all year round.

Waterproof gloves



During the winter months it can get cold, having gloves will protect your hands while out on the farm

Footwear

Gumboots



Gumboots are good for wet weather and doing quick jobs like feeding dogs



Shearing Moccasins

Moccasins provide safety and comfort when shearing and crutching sheep

Casual dress boots or shoes



These will be required for when you are needing to attend GFF occasions in your 'number 1s'

Bucket hat



NZ sun is harsh, you will be out in it for long periods of time, so we recommend a wide brimmed hat for your protection

Wool Jersey



Wool is a natural product that provides warmth and ventilation. Needed when out on the farm.

Dress pants



Dress pants are required as part of your 'Numbers 1s', required when asked to attend GFF occasions

Wool socks



We recommended at least 3 pairs of good woolen socks, you will be required to be on your feet for most of the day, These will provide protection and comfort in your work boots.

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Miscellaneous Items required

Dog Whistle



There are many types of whistles available, make sure you have the type you are comfortable using, Please make sure you have these on something so they can be worn around your neck.

Smart Phone



A smart phone is needed, so you can communicate and have the means to fill in your timesheets daily

Safety Glasses



Safety glasses are required while performing activities such as fencing, these are easily lost or damaged, so it is good to have a pair of your own.

Leather Belt



Your leather belt needs to be strong, this is where you will carry everything you need while on farm, such as your knife, steel, notebook / phone.

5m Soft Rope



Please have a dog clip attached to your rope, the rope will be one of your main aids when training your pup.

Leather Pouch



A leather pouch will be like an extra pocket, on your knife belt for carrying things like your notebook or and phone.

Knife, pouch and steel



We recommended a Victorinox Butcher knife or Sword Drop Point Knife as these are better for beginners.

Thermos, drink bottle & lunchbox



When you leave home in the morning you will not get back until work finishes, so you will need something to take a hot and cold drink in, as well as somewhere to transport your lunch

Laptop



Your laptop needs to be Microsoft 365 compatible and have a camera for zoom lessons

Household Items

Bed Linen



Your farm trainer will provide the bed, you will need to bring linen, pillows, blankets and towels.

Personal Locator Beacon (PLB) and case



For your own personal safety, PLBs are a must before starting on farm. The case is to ensure these are carried on your belt and within reach at all times.

Road legal vehicle

All students are required to have a road legal vehicle, this is required for them to attend trainings and be able to get around. We advise these vehicle has somewhere safe to transport their pup and highly recommend they are insured.

Personal Items



Pack all your personal clothing and personal items

Groceries



You will need enough food to last at least a week at a time, farms are rural and there are no shops just down the road for the majority of GFF students. The farm will supply you with meat.