

LOCAL USED GEAR STORES:

SAVERS is a great thrift store in Redwood City (875 Main St.). (650) 364-5545
THRIFT CITY is also good and just around the corner from Savers. (650) 367-0646
THE WILDERNESS EXCHANGE in Berkeley specializes in outdoor equipment. (510) 525-1255

FANCY NEW GEAR

REI 1119 Industrial Way, San Carlos (650) 508-2330
MOUNTAIN VIEW SURPLUS for those wool pants 1299 W. El Camino Real, Mountain View (650) 969-2381
REDWOOD TRADING POST 1305 El Camino Real, Redwood City (650) 363-2033
THE NORTH FACE -- the most expensive of fancy, expensive new gear. not really recommended 217 Alma St., Palo Alto. (650) 327-1563

MAIL ORDER DISCOUNT

SIERRA TRADING POST -- cheap stuff. 1-800-508-2330 <http://www.sierratradingpost.com>
CAMPMOR -- has cheap closeouts and house brand stuff 1-800-CAMP MOR <http://www.campmor.com>
REI OUTLET <http://www.rei-outlet.com>
MOUNTAIN GEAR <http://www.mountaingear.com>

You don't need to spend anything if you can borrow from friends. Keep in mind that OEP or OEP instructors may have clothing available for you to borrow.