

Camps Procedures, Rules, Regulations

Short Term Camping Reservation Procedures for Troops, Packs, Crews, and all Non-Scout Groups

Cabin reservations will be accepted online. No reservations will be accepted by phone.

The total reservation fee for the requested facility must be submitted by due date on the camp confirmation. If a unit cancels 4 weeks prior to the camp-out 75%, 2 weeks prior 50%, 7 days or less None of the fees paid will be refunded to the unit upon written request. If a unit cancels with less than 1 weeks notice, the fee is nonrefundable unless the facility is rented to another unit. If the camp is closed due to severe weather, an emergency, or power failure etc. refunds will be issued or the fees transferred to another weekend, space permitting.

Firewood is available for purchase and must be ordered and paid for prior to your arrival at camp. Wood will be sold by the ¼ \$25, ½ \$50 per load.

All damage done to Council facilities will be billed directly to the unit or group renting the facilities. Examples include broken windows, graffiti, or vandalism of any type.

All units must comply with BSA and Council regulations regarding Youth protection, Two Deep Leadership and Standards for Privacy while using Council facilities. Any failure to do so will result in the unit being asked to leave the facility immediately and having the matter referred to GNFC management for review.

Short Term Tent Camping Policy

For all registered Scout Units a \$5.00 fee per person, per weekend (2 days minimum) for Tent Camping is required with a minimum of 5 people attending or purchase a tent permit for the season (September – May) for \$100.00 available until October 15th.

Camp Rules & Regulations:

A roster of all attending participants **must** be presented to the Camp Ranger upon arrival at Camp. All units must comply with BSA and Council regulations regarding Youth protection, Two Deep Leadership and Standards for Privacy while using Council facilities. Any failure to do so will result in the unit being asked to leave the facility immediately and having the matter referred to GNFC management for review.

- No parking except in designated areas. (Ex. Parking lots) Transportation to and from the camp is the responsibility of each Scout's parent and should be coordinated through the unit. Drivers must be at least 21 years old and hold a valid driver's license. Vehicles must be registered, insured, and inspected. **No one is allowed to ride on trailers or in the back of pickup trucks (whether or not it has a cap).** Drivers who break this rule will be asked to leave camp

immediately. Unit leaders who knowingly allow this to happen will risk having their unit dismissed from camp. Safety first! All personal vehicles and drivers are subject to the terms as stated on the local tour permit application.

- No pets are allowed in camps.
- **Use** drinking water only from approved sources.
- Inside & Outside of buildings, as well as mattresses and bunks, **must** be thoroughly cleaned before checking out.
- All cans, bottles, refuse and garbage must be taken to the dumpster if available. There is **no** curbside pickup. Please check with the Camp Ranger to determine what disposal facilities are available while you are in camp. If disposal facilities are not available, you will be required to remove your refuse when you checkout.
- Use only approved latrines.
- Hacking of trees, defacing of buildings or damaging of equipment **will not** be tolerated. A fee **will be** assessed for damage of lost equipment.
- No standing trees will be cut.
- Fires may be kindled only in fireplaces, stoves or open places specifically designated by the Ranger.
- **All** open fires must be attended at all times and extinguished before leaving.
- Water is not to be used to extinguish wood stoves or fireplaces.
- Sledding is permitted at Southaven and Schoellkopf only in designated area and with Ranger's permission, with adult supervision (2 adults over 21) and a helmet.

Camp Arrival & Departure:

If camping at a Council camp for short term camping, please follow the following arrival and departure rules:

- **Do not** arrive any earlier than 4:30 pm on Friday.
- Every group entering camp **must register with** the Camp Ranger immediately upon arrival
- You **must present** the Ranger with a copy of your Weekend Camping Permit, a complete Roster of Attendees and notify the Ranger of your planned departure time.
- **All** out of Council units must show evidence of accident insurance and have a valid tour permit with them.
- Depart no later than **Noon on Sunday**.
- Check out with the Camp Ranger before leaving.

Medication:

All medicines must be in their original containers and have original labels. All medications must be reported to the leader in charge and held in the possession by the parent/guardian of the youth.

Alcohol and illegal drugs:

Alcohol and Illegal drugs are **prohibited** on any Scout outing and at any Boy Scouts of America camp. Anyone caught in possession will be removed from camp and the matter will be referred to Council Management for review.

Tobacco:

Tobacco products and smoking are **prohibited** on any Scout outing or campout. Since Scout camp is hardly the place for a boy to learn to smoke. All adults are required not to smoke in front of the boys.

Emergencies:

When an emergency presents itself, the following steps should be followed:

- Stay calm.
- Take all steps to ensure that the further injury or potential injurious situations have been dealt with.
- Report the emergency to the Camp Ranger or his designate.
- Give a very clear and calm report - who, what, where, when, how, etc.
- Follow all Injury and Blood Borne Pathogen Guidelines outlined in this manual.

Camp Courtesies:

- There should be a small supply of wood at your camp when you arrive and you should leave a small supply when you depart.
- A Scout should leave the camp in better shape than you received it.
- Outdoor fires must be extinguished before checking out.
- Stoves and refrigerators should be cleaned before leaving.
- Fireplaces and woodstoves should be allowed to burn down. Do not use water to extinguish fires in stoves or fireplaces.

Cub Scout Short Term Camping

The Boy Scouts of America has established the following guidelines for its members' participation in camping activities:

Each youth member will be under the supervision of a parent or legal guardian.

In special circumstances, a Cub Scout whose parent or legal guardian is not able to attend an overnight camping trip may participate under the supervision of another registered adult member of the BSA who is a parent of a Cub Scout who is also attending. The unit leader and a parent or legal guardian must agree to the arrangement, and all Youth Protection policies apply. At no time may another adult accept responsibility for more than one additional "non-family member" youth.

- Overnight camping by Lion, Tiger, Wolf, or Bear Cub Scouts as dens is prohibited. Webelos dens may participate in overnight camping.
- Lions, with their adult partner, may participate in child-parent excursions, pack overnights, and council-organized family camping.
- Tigers, with their adult partner, may participate in child-parent excursions, day camps, pack overnights, council-organized family camping, or resident camping.
- Tiger, Wolf, and Bear Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts may participate in a resident overnight camping program operating under BSA National Camping School-trained leadership and managed by the council.
- Den leaders, pack leaders, and parents are expected to accompany the youth on approved trips.

Pack Overnights

- These are pack-organized overnight events involving more than one family from a single pack, focused on age-appropriate Cub Scout activities and conducted at council-approved locations (councils use **Pack Overnight Campout Site Appraisal Form, No. 430-902**). If nonmembers (siblings) participate, the event must be structured accordingly to accommodate them. BSA Health and Safety and Youth Protection policies apply. In most cases, each youth member will be under the supervision of a parent or guardian. In all cases, each youth participant is responsible to a specific adult.
- At least one adult on a pack overnigher must have completed Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (*BALOO*, No. 34162) to properly understand the importance of program intent, Youth Protection policies, health and safety, site selection, age-appropriate activities, and sufficient adult participation.