

RULES FOR A SAFE CAMP

BSA national standards require the camp staff to account for all scouts enrolled at camp at all times while camp is in session. The BSA requires the camp staff to follow certain rules to ensure your children's safety. The BSA takes these rules seriously and so will the camp staff. Please review these rules so that you can help our staff volunteers run camp smoothly.

VERIFICATION OF ABSENTEES

Scouts have to check in to enter camp and must check out to leave camp. If a scout is registered for camp and does not show up, the camp staff is required to make contact with the scout's parent or guardian. If the camp staff is unable to make contact within 2 hours, the Council Director of Camping must be notified. Simon Kenton Council's Director of Camping is Doug Maden. Doug has a reputation for being grumpy on Saturday mornings.

YOU DON'T WANT TO TALK TO DOUG!!!

If your child is unable to attend camp on either day, please contact the Camp Director, Al Magnuson, at 614-781-1948

VISITORS

Parents who are not volunteer staff are welcome to visit camp and observe some of the activities. If you visit camp, go to the checkin table at the edge of the parking lot. The camp staff will direct you to the camp office in Building A. We will give you a pass and walk you out to your scout's activity area. Please do not bypass the checkin table and camp office. Our safety procedures depend on ensuring that the only people in camp are those who are authorized to be there.

EARLY RELEASE POLICY

Scouts are expected to stay for their entire session and leave with the same parent/leader they arrived with. Deviations from this need to be documented.

For a scout to be released early, the following steps must be followed:

1. **Parental permission:** A note must be given to the Camp Director at checkin. In emergencies **ONLY**, a fax or phone call is acceptable.
2. **Sign out:** The person taking the scout must sign the scout out of camp. The Camp Director will sign also.
3. **If the parent is on camp staff:** They may take the scout out without the permission note in (1) above, however, they must still sign the scout and themselves out of camp.

If a scout is removed from camp without following these procedures, the Camp Director and Council Camp Director will be notified.

A scout who leaves camp without signing out is considered a *Lost Scout*

This situation causes serious stress to the Camp Director and staff. It can disrupt or even halt camp activities. Please, please, please follow our checkin/checkout procedures.

CHECKOUT PROCEDURE

SATURDAY: From 4:35 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. there will be a short awards ceremony followed by announcements for the second day. After this ceremony, the den leaders will bring their scouts back to the den areas to meet their parents. Parents will sign out their scouts from the den leaders in their den areas.

SUNDAY: The campfire program starts at 6:15 p.m. and lasts until 7:00 p.m. Parents will meet their scouts at the campfire and will sign them out from their scout's den leader.