

Camping Guidelines

1. The buddy system should be used at all times.
2. Scouts should not be permitted to throw rocks in the creek. Splashing one another is a lot of fun until someone gets hit in the head and unfortunately that has happened too often.
3. No pets are allowed in camp at any time.
4. Fireworks, alcoholic beverages, sheath knives, non-prescription drugs, personal firearms, ammunition, and archery equipment are not permitted in camp.
5. Axes and wood tools are not to be used by Cub Scouts at camp. Do not chop on or down any live trees. Tigers and Wolves are not allowed to use Knives; Bears and Webelos can but only after having earned their Whittling Chip Card and having the card with them.
6. Campfires are restricted to fire rings or grills, when provided. Burning trash is prohibited.
7. Fires should be put out when leaving your campsite. No fire should be left unattended. Fire Orders and Severe Weather Procedures should be posted in each campsite. Gathering firewood in MO state parks (and others) is strictly prohibited.
8. No flames in tents – includes fueled lanterns. Fueled stoves and lanterns are to be used by adults only.
9. Tobacco use is not permitted by youth campers or by adults in the presence of youth campers nor in any structure, tent, or building. All buildings are smoke free. Smokers, please smoke outside in a safe manner away from Scouts and be aware of the ever-present fire danger!
10. Camp setting offers a great opportunity to observe plant and animal wildlife in their natural surroundings. Please inform your Scouts and adults not to feed, touch, or try catching any wildlife. If there is a problem with any type of wildlife you should contact the Camp Office or Camp Staff member immediately.
11. Please keep all food in “critter-proof” containers such as an ice chest or a lockable storage box. Raccoons can be very creative.
12. Scouts or adults are not to be transported in the cargo section of trucks or on a trailer.
13. Shoes, boots, sandals, or appropriate footwear should be worn while walking around camp.
14. Do not drive outside roads or parking lots, especially through grassy fields. All major program and administration sites are within walking distance of each campsite. No access roads to campsites are available. Ample parking areas are provided in the central camp, and all vehicles including campers and camper trailers must be parked in dead storage there. All personal equipment is to be carried to the campsite.
15. Hazing, tent ditching, or other such activities are not allowed at any time at camp.
16. Scouts will be expected to be on their campsite by 10:00 p.m., which is also considered the beginning of quiet hours. An adult leader or camp staff member must accompany any Scout who needs to be away from his campsite after 10:00 p.m.
17. It is recommended to bring insect repellent LOTION instead of spray because the latter removes waterproofing from tents.
18. If your son wants to be tent-buddies with someone outside of his family, please keep in mind an important Cub Scout rule: No adult is allowed to share a tent with any non-family members. However, boys may share with each other.

For those that are new to camping, a handy list of what to bring can be found at:

<http://www.lovetheoutdoors.com/camping/Checklists.htm>. This list is overwhelming and is designed for a week of camping, not one night. Just remember to bring your own tents, chairs, bug lotion, flashlights, and breakfast.

Enjoy!