

Greater Tampa Bay Area, BSA AQUATICS TRAINING FALL 2019



BSA Paddle Craft Safety BSA Swimming & Water Rescue Kayaking Merit Badge Counselor Workshop BSA Lifeguard Re-Certification



Where: Flaming Arrow, Lake Wales, Florida

When: September 20-22, 2019

A. SWIMMING & WATER RESCUE and PADDLE CRAFT SAFETY: STRONGLY RECOMMENDED for swimming and boating activities under the new Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. **REQUIRED** for a unit to swim without a lifeguard on Council properties or to boat on Council properties or with Council equipment. The courses take approximately 8 hours each (with the kayak add-on an additional 4 hours), and certifications last for 2 years. Paddle Craft Safety will offer both canoeing and kayaking. Certification patches and cards will be awarded.

Requirements: All participants must (1) be 15 years or older, (2) be able to pass the BSA Swimmer test, and (3) be currently certified in Safety Afloat (for Paddle Craft Safety) or Safe Swim Defense (for Swimming & Water Rescue). Participants must obtain the BSA Aquatics Supervision Manual in advance (available from the Council Service Center or www.Scoutstuff.org), and study Sections 1 and 3 for Paddle Craft Safety and Sections 1 and 2 for Swimming & Water Rescue in order to prepare for the written test. **Bring your current medical form** (Parts A and B - doctor's signature is not required), **evidence of current certification in Safety Afloat or Safe Swim Defense**, as applicable, and the **Aquatics Supervision Manual**. **The reading in the manual takes a lot of time - begin your study well in advance of the course!**

Schedule: Check-in for Paddle Craft Safety will begin at 7:00 pm Friday evening at Wood Hall, with the dry land instruction starting promptly at 7:30 pm. The wet portion of Paddle Craft Safety will begin promptly on Saturday at 7:30 am. Kayaking BSA certification will be offered immediately following the wet portion of the course. A written test will precede dinner on Saturday, and the course is expected to end no later than 6:30 pm on Saturday. Check-in for Swimming & Water Rescue will begin at 7:00 pm Saturday evening at Wood Hall, with the dry land instruction starting promptly at 7:30 pm. The wet portion of Swimming & Water Rescue will begin promptly on Sunday at 7:30 am. A written test will follow the wet work. The course is expected to finish by 2:00 pm Sunday. Re-certs in these courses will be able to skip the dry land presentations.

B. KAYAKING MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR WORKSHOP: The requirements for being a kayaking merit badge counselor require certain levels of training. This workshop will provide that training. Be prepared to teach other class members.

Requirements: Participants must be **good kayakers**, and must be familiar with the contents of the Kayaking Merit Badge Pamphlet. This workshop is not intended to teach you the entire merit badge but only to provide a brush up on strokes, introduce modern paddling theory and new rescues, and emphasize training techniques and considerations. You will be responsible for learning on your own the material that is not covered. **Bring your current medical form** (Parts A and B - doctor's signature is not required), and the **merit badge pamphlet**. Check-in for the Counselor Workshop will be at 7:00 am Sunday, at Wood Hall, with a swim test and the wet portion of the course to follow (wear your swim clothes). The course is expected to end no later than 5:00 pm on Sunday.

C. BSA LIFEGUARD RECERTIFICATION: This course may be presented, based on interest. Contact Bill Bode (contact info below) regarding requirements, and details.



AQUATICS TRAINING REGISTRATION

GTBAC Aquatics Training Courses Flaming Arrow, Fall 2019



Name _____

Email _____ Phone (____) ____ - ____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

District _____ Unit _____ Adult ____ or Youth (age) _____

Please sign me up for:

\$_____ Paddle Craft Safety Canoeing and Kayaking / September 20-21 (\$20)

\$_____ Re-certification in Paddle Craft Safety (not over 6 months expired) / September 21 (\$20)

\$_____ Swimming & Water Rescue / September 21-22 (\$15)

\$_____ Re-certification in Swimming & Water Rescue / September 22 (\$15)

\$_____ Dinner for Aquatics Supervision / Saturday September 21 (\$8)

\$_____ Kayaking Merit Badge Counselor Workshop / September 21 (\$12)

\$_____ Re-certification for BSA Lifeguard / Dates September 22 (\$25)

\$_____ **TOTAL**

Send registration and fees to: Greater Tampa Bay Area Council, Council Service Center, 13228 N. Central Ave., Tampa, FL 33612, If paying by credit card, please add credit card type, number, expiration, and signature.

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FOR ALL COURSES: Wear appropriate clothing (if you are paddling, this means clothes and shoes that can get wet), bring a water bottle, towel, sun screen, and bug spray. Camping is available Friday and Saturday nights for the September courses. Included: Cracker barrel Fri & Sat, breakfast Sat & Sun, lunch Sat. Dinner on Saturday available at an extra charge. No lunch on Sunday so we can get home sooner

Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense Certification: You can get certified at <https://myscouting.scouting.org/Pages/eLearning.aspx>.

FUTURE TRAINING: Paddle Craft Safety, Swimming & Water Rescue, and BSA Lifeguard will be offered in the Spring, 2020.

FOR INFORMATION, contact Bill Bode (813) 382-9262, wbode@att.com; or Bruce Hoover (727) 307-6268, calusadistrict@verizon.net