

SPLASH-O-REE

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GREATER TAMPA BAY AREA COUNCIL

LEADER'S GUIDE

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Introduction

This Leader's Guide contains the information required for your Pack to maximize their experience at this year's Splash-O-Ree event. Be sure to read all the information carefully as we expect all participants to act in accordance with the best of our Scouting traditions. If we need to make any changes, the Pack Representative or CubMaster will be notified in advance of all changes. The Cub Scout Splash-O-Ree is a family event, with a focus on the Scout and their family celebrating Spring and having water-filled fun. While the Scout learns the fundamentals of "Do Your Best", we expect all leaders and parents to always supervise their Scouts and siblings maintaining safety and discipline.

SPLASH-O-REE DIRECTOR

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STAFFING

Please be Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, and Kind to our event Staff. Most of our staff are volunteers, including Pack leaders, Pack parents, Troop leaders, and Scouts. If you would like to volunteer as staff, and contact the Director.

PACK REPRESENTATIVE

The Pack Representative will serve as the spokesperson and communicate all information to the Pack's registrants. In addition, the Pack Representative must communicate with the Director for any special requests, needs, restrictions, etc. Please include an e-mail address and phone number for the assigned Pack Representative, as they will receive all necessary information prior to the event. The Pack representative must be a registered leader with the Pack. All registrations should be submitted online at <https://scoutingevent.com/089-splash2021>. In the event a Pack does not wish to register but Scouts would like to attend, the Scout (and family) will be added to another Pack's roster and registration.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration includes a Cub Scout Splash-O-Ree patch for each registered Cub Scout and paid Sibling.

The following should be submitted to the Camp Director or District Representative:

- Pack Registration/t-shirt and patch form.
- Pack Roster form

COVID 19 PROCEDURES/ADJUSTMENTS

- All Council policies and procedures will be followed and enforced for the duration of camp.
- Meals may be served differently, possibly being served in campsites, in shifts, or spaced outside the Dining Hall.
- Sleeping accommodations- Every participant should be prepared with their own tent.
- Remember, it's a fluid situation and could change at any time.
- "At-Risk" Camp Participant Statement must be filled out for each participant:

<https://tampabayscouting.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/GTBAC-Participant-Documents-Rev-Jan-21-2021.pdf>

COUNCIL REFUND POLICY

Each activity has expenses that are incurred according to advance registration numbers. If a registered participant cancels at the last minute, these expenses will still be incurred, unless a replacement can be registered. Early event registration is beneficial for planning purposes, and a non-refund policy only discourages this. Early cancellations also allow for ordering adjustments or registration from a waiting list. Some activities such as summer camp and high adventure activities require a longer lead time and refund policies for these activities will be specified in their registration information. Unless otherwise specified, all requests for activity registration refunds need to be in writing and received in the council service center at least fourteen (14) days prior to the activity. A twenty percent (20%) service charge will be assessed, unless the registration fees are being transferred to another activity in the same calendar year. Requests for refunds received less than fourteen (14) days prior to the activity will be considered for the following reasons only:

- Personal illness of registered participant
- A family emergency preventing attendance

The same 20% service charge will apply. If unable to notify us within the 14-day period, these types of refund requests will be granted an extra seven (7) days following the completion of the activity. Again they must be made in writing and submitted to the council service center. After that time the activity accounts will be closed and no more refunds will be given.

PACK ROSTER FORM

This form is a summary of the families attending. This should be submitted by the Pack Camp Director or Pack Coordinator.

PERMISSION AND MEDICAL FORMS

The permission form is integrated with the required medical forms for any BSA event. Please have these forms readily available if needed. Each unit is **REQUIRED** to have a medical form with sections A, B and photo release form signed and dated for each individual adult and child attending the event. This form can also be located at: http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf

WHAT TO EXPECT AT CHECK IN:

Check-in will start Friday evening at 4:00 p.m. If you arrive prior to 4:00 p.m. on Friday you will be asked to wait outside the gate. Check-in will be done by Pack and the representative will receive the Pack's information. The following information must be submitted by the Pack Representative at registration:

- Updated Pack Roster
- Any changes to the original roster submitted with registration fee(s) if applicable
- Medical forms for ALL attendees
- Covid-19 "At-Risk" Camp Participant Statement for each participant.
- Any other missing information from registration.
- Provide phone numbers for 2-3 Pack leaders to receive text updates

The Pack Representative or Pack leader **MUST ATTEND** the orientation meeting Friday evening. Time and location of this meeting will be announced during check-in. If for some reason a representative can't attend, please contact the Director beforehand.

NOTE: PLEASE BE SURE THE PACK REPRESENTATIVE HAS ARRIVED BEFORE OTHERS TO ENSURE PROPER NUMBERS AND CAMP PLACEMENT. UNLOADING AND PARKING PROCEDURE

There is a very strict policy in place regarding the check-in, unloading, and camp set-up procedures as it concerns the safety of all the children in attendance. Check in will begin at 4 PM **ONLY IF** the Pack leader or Representative is in attendance. (This is to ensure tents are placed correctly, utilizing the appropriate amount of space designated to your Pack.) Your Pack participants will be given one card per vehicle with your Pack number on it. For drivers to enter camp, they **MUST** have a card. This is to ensure the parents unload and remove their vehicles from camp in a safe and timely manner. If participants do not have a card to enter camp, we strongly encourage them to park and help others unload or remind them to be prompt with returning their car to the check-in area. All vehicles must adhere to the posted speed limit while in camp.

Children that are not assisting in the set-up of camp are kindly asked to stay at the campsite assigned; this is to reduce the number of children wandering in the driving areas. Participants that cannot follow the unloading and parking procedures will be asked to leave. An abundance of participants not adhering to the policy will result in vehicles being towed (**AT THE OWNERS EXPENSE!!!**) and no other vehicles will be allowed in camp. In this case, participants will have to wait to load their equipment on the provided trailer which will deliver their belongings to the campsite. This is a much longer process and we would not like to resort to such measures. **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE** inform your participants of the unloading, parking, and camp set-up procedure so it will run smoothly and without incident.

NO VEHICLES LEFT IN CAMP

VEHICLES ARE NOT TO BE LEFT IN THE CAMPING AREA. Any vehicles discovered inside the gate after 9 PM will be towed at the owner's expense (unless other arrangements have been made with the Camp Director). This policy will remain in place for the duration of the Cub Scout Splash-O-Ree event weekend. The safety of our members is top priority and any violation of safety rules will not be tolerated.

CAMPING ASSIGNMENTS

Camping areas will be assigned by the camp director. Please indicate on your Pack's registration the number of individuals and tents you will be setting up. This will help us determine the camp site assignments. Please contact the camp director with any special needs or requests as soon as possible before the event.

FIRST AID

Medical emergencies should be directed to the First Aid Station during the event. After hours, contact one of the camp directors. Minor first aid should be handled at the Pack's campsite if applicable. The location of the First Aid Station(s) and medical staff onsite will be announced at the orientation meeting on Friday and/or identified on your map.

ACTIVITIES

Each Pack will receive an activity schedule specific to their Pack. Specific activities will be scheduled for your Pack. Shooting Sports will be a scheduled activity and are for registered Cub Scouts only and paid Siblings (no exceptions). We ask that every Pack abides by the rules and schedule. (If used, every participant must have an activity band. Activity bands will be distributed during Friday's leader meeting based on the registration data for your Pack. Additional bands will be available for purchase during Friday's meeting or after the opening ceremony on Saturday morning (please see the director or assigned personnel)). Lions will be able to participate in archery only due to age requirements. A table will be available at the Range that will have STAFF present to teach origami for those wishing not to or unable to participate.

WATERFRONT RULES AND SAFETY

The swim classification of individuals participating in a Boy Scouts of America activity is a key element in both Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. All persons participating in BSA aquatics activities are classified according to swimming ability. The classification test procedures have been developed and structured to demonstrate a skill level consistent with the circumstances in which the individual will be in the water. In order to provide a more streamlined event, each unit is strongly recommended to perform swim tests in advance, using the Unit Swim Classification Record located here (<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/outdoor%20program/aquatics/pdf/430-122.pdf>). These tests MUST be administered according to the Guide to Safe Scouting. If you have a Scout who has not completed a swim test prior to arrival, we will be making our pool available Friday Night and Saturday to administer a swim test to that Scout. Saturday will depend on STAFF available.

WHAT TO WEAR

Class B (Pack T-shirt), Scout Shirt or Splash-O-Ree t-shirt for events. Closed toe shoes are **REQUIRED** for **EVERYONE** (participants & parents) Adults dressed appropriately (no bathing suits, shirts always) **NOTE:** Clothes will get wet and possibly dirty on Saturday (change of clothes may be needed). **Make sure that everyone has two sets of shoes and socks because one of them will get wet!**

During the Water Station of Spray Water Tag, we are using a dye that in most cases should come out of the clothes by washing but may not. Bring extra clothes that this would not be an issue with. Otherwise, the manufacture has indicated that the product is nontoxic, non-staining, and soap and fragrance free. They have indicated that as with oil cosmetic colors, the product may stain porous surfaces, textiles, or adhere to soap scum.

FOOD

Food will be provided for participants if the meal plan was purchased. Otherwise, each Pack is required to provide their own food for the weekend. Snacks and other food may be available for purchase at the trading post and/or concession stand if applicable (cash only). Please check with the camp director or staff advisor.

PATCHES AND T-SHIRTS

Each registered Cub Scout and paid Sibling will receive a Splash-O-Ree patch. Patches will be distributed to each unit listed on your Pack's or individual registration after the event.

ACCOMODATIONS

This is a weekend of Family **CAMPING**. Outlets are available at certain camp sites. Please notify the Camp Director in advance of any medical necessities or health concerns that will require outlets for the weekend. When available, outlets will be provided for health and emergency situations only, so please plan accordingly. We will not provide outlets for "glamping" requests or anything related (ex. Mini fridges, fans, etc.) Showers are to be used and not abused! Please try your best to Leave no Trace. All unclaimed items will be turned into the lost-n-found (please check with Camp Director or map).

CHECKING OUT

Inspections will begin Sunday morning after the Scouts Own Service. If you need to leave before Sunday morning's services, you must contact the Camp Director. Please make sure all trash is removed, and your site looks better than how you found it.

LEAVE NO TRACE!!!

**SCOUTS NEED TO BRING AN ADDITIONAL CHANGE OF CLOTHES FOR SATURDAY
BECAUSE THEY WILL BE GETTING WET!!!!**

WHAT-TO-BRING CHECKLIST

NOTE: This is a very general list to serve as a guide for packing. Not all items may be needed.

COMFORT

- Tent
- Tarp (Ground cloth)
- Sleeping Bags & Camp Pillows
- Air Mattresses or Foam Pads
- Flashlights w/ Extra Batteries
- Camp Lantern, Fuel & Mantels (Optional)

COOKING / DINING

- Eating Utensils (i.e., Disposable Knives, Forks, Spoons, Plates, Cups, etc.) (Mandatory)
- Cooking Utensils (i.e., Pots, Pans, Spoons, Spatulas, Knives, Coffee Pot, etc.)
- Charcoal Briquettes (and Starter)
- Groceries
- Waterproof Matches
- Camp Grill (Optional)
- Camp Stove (Recommended)
- Firewood
- Ice Chest (w/ Ice or Blue Ice)
- Dish Washing Detergent (Small Biodegradable)
- Pot Scrubber Brush (Optional)
- Water Jugs and/or Canteen
- Paper Towels
- Dish Towels
- Trash Bags
- Campfire Bucket (Optional)

HYGIENE / SAFETY / CLOTHING

- First Aid Kit
- Insect / Mosquito Repellent
- Sunscreen (SPF 30+)
- Toothbrush / Toothpaste
- Toilet Paper (and Other Personal Toiletries)
- Bath Soap & Shampoo
- Sunglasses
- Tennis, River and/or Hiking Shoes
- Clothes For 3 Days with Towels
- Sweatshirt and/or Jacket
- Hat

OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

- Camera & Film
- Books (Tree / Bird Identification or Other)
- Binoculars
- Rope or Nylon Cord
- Folding Chairs
- Tent Broom
- Outdoor Games
- Notebook and Pen
- Cub Scout Handbooks (Mandatory)

SAMPLE SCHEDULE for Snail

7:30 Opening Ceremony - BOY SCOUT UNIFORMS (CLASS A)
8:50 Traveling - CHANGE TO ACTIVITY UNIFORMS (Event or pack shirts)
9:00 Station 1 – Canoe – Waterfront
9:50 Traveling
10:00 Station 2 – Pool – Waterfront
10:50 Traveling
11:00 Station 3 - Archery Range – Fort Casey
11:50 Traveling
12:00 Station 3 - BB Gun Range – Fort Casey
12:50 Traveling
01:00 Lunch
01:50 Traveling
02:00 Station 5 – Water Game #1 – Drip by Drip (Flammer)
02:50 Traveling
03:50 Station 6 – Water Game #2 – Slip-n-Slide (Council Ring)
03:50 Traveling
04:00 Station 7 – Water Game #3 – Spray Color Tag (Between Waterfront and Pool)
04:50 Traveling
05:00 Station 8 – Dock – Waterfront
6:20 Dinner
8:00 CAMPFIRE