

Camp MK Brown Emergency Plan 2026

The safety of all campers, camp staff, volunteers, and visitors is our first priority at Camp MK Brown. In accordance with rules and regulations set forth by the state of Texas Law SB 1 and HB1 regarding Texas Youth Camps Safety and Health, the following emergency plans are in place.

This plan was reviewed by the Wheeler County EMS (ambulance service), Wheeler County Sheriff, Wheeler Deputy Fire Chief, Mobeetie Fire Chief, Wheeler County Emergency Dispatch and Camp MK Brown Camp Ranger. This plan will be reviewed annually by all of the above to note updates or revised information. This plan will be provided to Wheeler County Emergency Management within ten days of approval by DSHS and at any time there is an update or revision.

Camp Emergency Coordinator: Camp Ranger Alan Alexander, 806-420-4434

*Coordinate and communicate the emergency plan to all Camp Staff, Campers, and Adult Unit Leaders within 24 hours of arrival at camp.

*Communicate with Wheeler County Sheriff Office and Wheeler County Emergency Management.

*Responsible for monitoring local weather or other emergency notifications from the National Weather Service using the NOAA Weather Emergency Radio. He will ensure the radio is in working order and monitored. He will be required to receive weather broadcast on a working cell phone

*Make general announcements at the Dining Hall during all three mealtimes. Outside of mealtimes, the Camp Ranger must ensure contact is made using cell phones or camp radios to all Adult Camp Staff as necessary.

Camp Program Director: Gemma Mitchell, 806-282-8296

*Assemble, verify, and maintain the Scouting America National Camp Accreditation Program documentation.

*Enforce all procedures related to health and safety, council and national policies, use of equipment, and operation of facilities.

*Ensure Camp meets and complies with National Camp Standards and any applicable local, state and national standards, licenses, permits, and requirements.

*Have a thorough knowledge of all procedures related to health and safety, council and national policies, use of equipment and operation of facility.

*Management of camp business records..

*Provide leadership and assist campers and staff in an emergency (fire, evacuation, illness, or injury).

Camp Medic: Rachael Bradley-Jett, 580-727-5358

*Operate the Health Lodge in a safe, orderly manner according to all State, Local and Boy Scouts of America regulations.

*Maintain first aid equipment in the locations required by Scouting America, state and local regulations. Check it on a weekly basis and replenish supplies, as necessary.

*Administer first aid for injuries to campers and staff.

*Maintain first aid logs.

*Make whereabouts always known during the Camp.

*Provide Camp Ranger and Program Director or his/her designee with updates of any health concerns, specifically patterns of health issues.

Camp MK Brown is not located in current floodplain as designated by FEMA

Camp MK Brown has no Cabins.

General Camp Evacuation Plan (more details are listed for specific situations) Campers and Camp Staff will gather at the muster site Dining Hall in the event of an emergency that requires evacuation from any location within the premises of the camp. A siren will sound that originates from the Administration Building indicates all Campers and Camp Staff will gather at the main camp muster site, the Dining Hall. If the Dining Hall is not accessible, an alternative muster site will be communicated to Campers by the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director.

Westside: Following the trails, gather at the south gate bordering the property that is owned by Mr. Joe VanZant

Eastside: Following the trails to the main gate, stop at the Camp Ranger's house parking area.

Northside: Following the trails, proceed to the lake building.

Southside: Follow the trail to the main camp parking lot

*Individuals with disabilities (walkers, wheelchairs, hearing, developmental, physical) will have their Adult Unit Leader present their plan of action to the Camp Ranger and Camp Medic how they will ensure those scouts with a disability will be contacted and moved to the muster points. The plan will include having a buddy assigned to the individual with a disability to assist the individual with a disability to be made aware of the notification of the need to go to the muster site and to physically relocate to the muster site. Prior to camp the plan is discussed and agreed to by parents and the plan presented at check-in. The Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director vehicles will be used to transport an individual with a disability to the muster site as necessary.

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will determine if the camp is to be evacuated to an offsite location or relocated to a different location off camp.

*The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will sound the siren to gather Campers and Camp Staff to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by the Camp Program Director to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan. At that time, the Camp Ranger will announce the plan to evacuate.

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will contact the Wheeler County Sheriff and Wheeler County Emergency Management to notify of the transportation emergency.

* If relocating off camp, Adult Unit Leaders will gather the Campers and transport them to the Wheeler Veterinary Clinic located at 1309 W. Oklahoma Ave, Wheeler, Texas, which is the off camp muster site. Upon arrival at the off camp muster site, roll call will take place by Camp Program Director to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan.

*If Adult Unit Leader vehicles are not available, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will contact Wheeler Independent School District to secure buses to relocate Campers and Camp Staff.

*If the nature of the evacuation requires camp to be cancelled and return to camp is not possible, Campers will be transported home by the Adult Unit Leaders to meet parents at home locations. Adult Unit Leaders will ensure parents pick up the correct camper by comparing government issued ID of the adult with the emergency contact adult name provided during camp registration.

*If it is not possible for Adult Unit Leaders to transport Campers home, the Adult Unit Leaders will call the parents of Campers, using the emergency contact information, to pick up their Camper at the off camp muster site, the Wheeler Veterinary Clinic located at 1309 W. Oklahoma Ave, Wheeler, Texas. Adult Unit Leaders will ensure parents pick up the correct camper by comparing government issued ID of the adult with the emergency contact adult name provided during camp registration.

* Once the evacuation is completed to the off site muster site, the Camp Ranger will contact the Scout Executive to advise of the situation. Parent/guardian notifications will be made by the Scout Executive but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make notifications. Mass notifications via email will be used.

The following is a list of possible emergencies (and the safety procedures for each) that could take place at Camp MK Brown:

1. Lost Camper:

* Once notified of a lost camper, the Camp Ranger and Program Director will establish direct contact with the assigned senior leader of the unit.

* The assigned Adult Unit Leader of the unit will begin checking the last known whereabouts of the lost camper. "Last known" can be ascertained by asking other scouts who may have been in a class or program area with the lost camper.

* An Adult Unit Leader chosen by the Camp Ranger will check the assigned unit campsite to see if the lost camper is at the site and will physically check his/her tent.

* Camp Ranger will select two or three other available adults to walk trails in the general area where the lost camper was last seen. If the lost camper is not found, all trails will then be checked. These adults will report to the Camp Ranger via phone or radio every 15 minutes. The Camp Medic will remain near the Medical Center with radio and phone capabilities in case assistance is required.

* After the campsite, program areas, staff area, unit vehicles, and all camp facilities that are open (checking closets, and bathrooms as applicable) have been checked, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director shall sound the alarm to gather everyone in camp to the muster site Dining Hall for an attendance check. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by Camp Program Director to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If the lost camper appears, camp can resume. If the lost camper does not appear, the Camp Ranger, Camp Program Director, and Adult Unit Leader will discuss the next steps. The Camp Program Director will remain with the Campers while the search takes place.

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will contact the Wheeler County Sheriff and Wheeler County Emergency Management to advise them of a potential situation when notified of a possible lost camper so the Sheriff can respond. As the search continues and the lost camper is found, Wheeler County Sheriff requests a call to cancel their response. If the camper is not found within a reasonable amount of time and after a search has been carried out, another call is requested so more resources may be dispatched as the situation dictates. There is no recommended time to start and stop a search unless directed by the Wheeler Country Sheriff.

* If the decision is made to call the Wheeler County Sheriff, the Camp Ranger will contact the Scout Executive to advise of the situation, and the Camp Ranger will proceed to call the Wheeler County Sheriff. This is a serious decision that will involve many local and state resources.

* The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.

2. Fire on Camp:

* When a fire is noticed on the camp by any Camper or Camp Staff Member; the Camp Ranger, Camp Program Director, and Camp Staff will be notified immediately via radio, phone, or in person. If the Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director cannot be contacted, especially in the evening, the Camp Medic is available in the Administration Building.

* Camp Program Director or the Camp Ranger will contact emergency personnel by dialing 911 and Wheeler County Emergency Management. The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will follow the directions of Wheeler Fire Department personnel.

* Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will sound the Emergency Siren indicating all Campers and Camp Staff report immediately to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by the Camp Program Director to determine all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan.

* If the fire is near the Dining Hall, the muster site will be altered and communicated. Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director may assign Adult Unit Leaders to meet campers who are relocating to the Dining Hall and redirect them to an alternate location.

* If the fire is in the Dining Hall, Camp Staff and Adult Unit Leaders will direct campers to exit from the nearest exit and muster at the Administration Building. Campers will be instructed to leave personal belongings behind; crawl low under toxic smoke; touch closed doors with the back of their hand before opening, if hot use an alternative door; close doors behind them. Upon arrival at the Administration Building, roll call will take place by the Camp Program Director to determine all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan.

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will determine if the camp is to be evacuated to an offsite location or relocated to a different location off camp based on wind direction, size of the fire, etc. or based on advice from the Wheeler Fire Department or Wheeler County Sheriff.

* If relocating off camp, Adult Unit Leaders will gather the Campers and transport them to the Wheeler Veterinary Clinic located at 1309 W. Oklahoma Ave, Wheeler, Texas, which is the central off camp gathering point.

* Once the evacuation is completed, the Camp Ranger will contact the Scout Executive to advise of the situation. Parent/guardian notifications will be made by the Scout Executive but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make notifications. Mass notifications via email will be used.

3. Severe injury, severe illness, serious accident, or death of one or more campers, visitors, camp staff, or camp volunteers:

* All medical injuries treated at the unit level must be reported to the Camp Medic by the Adult Unit Leader.

* In the case of severe injury (broken bones, sprains, brain or spinal cord injury, amputation, severe burns) or severe illness (stroke symptoms, heart attack symptoms), serious accident (possible drowning, possible gun

shot, equipment failure leading to injury, crush injury) will all be reported immediately by the Adult Unit Leader to the Camp Medic.

* The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.

* Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will assist as requested.

*In case of a possible death, the scene (if outside of the medical facility) will be protected by the Camp Ranger so it's not disturbed for investigation purposes. All additional personnel will be directed away from the scene. The Camp Ranger may secure assistance from other adult camp staff to ensure this takes place and may leave the scene at that point. The Camp Medic will report any deaths to DSHS within 24 hours of the incident.

* Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Scout Executive as soon as practical. No one on camp is authorized to speak to the media regarding any incidents per Scouting America policy. Only the Scout Executive or his/her designee will provide information to the media, parents, next of kin etc.

*After the incident the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will sound the siren to gather Campers and Camp Staff to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by Camp Program Director to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan.

* The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.

4. Aquatic Emergency

*The Aquatics Director is the emergency response coordinator designee by the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director for the aquatics area.

*The Aquatics Director supervises and provide direction to all Life Guards.

*Direct communication (camp radio, call phone, or runner) with the Camp Ranger, Camp Program Director and Camp Medic will be maintained

*All campers will have a "Buddy Swimmer" assigned. The Buddy Swimmers will remain with eyesight of each other at all times. If a Buddy Swimmer cannot be seen, the Camper will alert the Life Guard staff.

*Inside the Swimming Area

1. Active Drowning Victim

Notify – Lifeguard that sees the active drowning will call out, "Active Victim. Guard in the Water!" Other lifeguards echo the activation and point to the guard in the water. This is to ensure the Aquatics Director is aware of the situation and knows who is involved. Remaining lifeguards remove Campers from the water and conducts roll call using roster sheets.

a. Perform Rescue

- i) The Lifeguard will perform the appropriate rescue.
- ii) Other Lifeguards adjust to provide backup coverage.

b. Post Rescue

- i) The Lookout calls for a "Buddy Check." Clear swim area if directed by the Aquatics Director.
- ii) Lifeguard will replace rescue equipment.
- iii) Lifeguard will provide first aid as necessary.
- iv) The Aquatics Director will notify the Camp Medic by camp radio, cell phone, or lifeguard runner. Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.
- v) Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Scout Executive as soon as practical. The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.

2. Submerged Swimmer

a. Notify

Lifeguard will call out, "Submerged Victim. Guard in the Water!" Other Lifeguards echo the activation and point to the guard in the water. Other lifeguards echo the activation and point to the guard in the water. This is to ensure the Aquatics Director is aware of the situation and knows who is involved. Remaining lifeguards remove Campers from the water and conducts roll call using roster sheets.

- i) The Aquatics Director will contact the Camp Medic and advises "Submerged Victim. Guard in the Water. Rescue in Progress. Call 911."
- ii) The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Fire Department by calling 911.
- iii) The Camp Medic will notify the Camp Range and Camp Program Director of the situation.

b. Perform Rescue

- i) The Lifeguard will perform the appropriate rescue.
- ii) The nearest Lifeguard brings the first aid kit (with CPR breathing barrier) and AED.
- iii) Other Lifeguards adjust to provide backup coverage.

c. Post Rescue

- i) The Lookout calls for a "Buddy Check." Clear swim area if directed by the Aquatics Director.
- ii) Lifeguard will provide "Near Drowning" care.
- iii) Lifeguard will replace rescue equipment.
- iv) The Aquatics Director will notify the Camp Medic by camp radio, cell phone, or lifeguard runner. The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.
- v) Camp Program Director and Camp Staff will provide post-incident counseling for witnesses and staff.
- vi) Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Scout Executive as soon as practical. The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.

3. Missing Swimmer

a. Notify

- i) Lifeguard will call out, "Missing swimmer!" Other Lifeguards echo the activation.
- ii) The Aquatics Director will contact the Camp Ranger, Camp Program Director, and Camp Medic and advise "Missing Swimmer."
- iii) Remaining lifeguards remove Campers from the water and conducts roll call using roster sheets.
- iv) The Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan.

b. Search

- i) Two Lifeguards begin a search of the last known location of the missing swimmer within the aquatics area.
- ii) Additional Lifeguards search the entire swim area.

c. Post Rescue

- i) Lifeguard will provide Rescue Breathing or CPR as required.
- ii) Lifeguard will provide "Near Drowning" care.
- iii) Lifeguard will replace rescue equipment.
- iv) The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.
- v) Camp Program Director and Camp Staff will provide post-incident counseling for witnesses and staff.
- vi) Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Scout Executive as soon as practical. The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.

Outside the Swimming Area (Boating)

The condition of the victim or the type of injury will determine the level of response.

Injury, Responsive Victim – A responsive victim is able to follow instructions from the responding lifeguard. He or she is able to grasp a reach pole, flotation device, or actively assist with transfer into a rescue boat. Time is not critical and assistance is available from other guards or instructors.

Injury, Incapacitated Victim – The victim is not able to respond to instructions from the lifeguard. He or she may be able to respond to questions from the guard to assist in determining the degree of the incapacitation. The lifeguard needs assistance in transporting the person to the boat dock or removing the person from the water.

Life Threatening Injury – The person needs or potentially will need CPR. Time is critical.

1. Notify – When an accident or incident occurs while on the water and away from the boating launch area use the following signals to activate the emergency action plan.

- Attention, Assistance Required – The Camper in the boat will initiate one, three-second blast from a whistle or horn; paddle, oar, rescue tube, or arm raised vertically overhead; call out, "Injured Boater!"

- Urgent, Life Threatening Situation – The Camper in the boat will initiate three, three-second blasts from a whistle or horn; paddle, oar, rescue tube, or arm(s) waved overhead; radio call: “MAYDAY” (Aquatics Director will contact Camp Medic immediately. Camp Medic will respond to the scene with the first aid kit and other emergency equipment.
- All Clear – Camper in boat will initiate two, three-second blasts from a whistle or horn; paddle, oar, rescue tube held horizontally overhead; arms extended parallel to ground; finger and thumb forming “OK signal,” or “thumbs up” signal (no assistance required, situation resolved)

2. Respond – Provide assistance to the victim

- a. Responsive Victim – Lifeguard provide first aid or spinal injury management.
- b. Incapacitated Victim – Lifeguard provide first aid or spinal injury management. With the assistance of another Lifeguard, remove the victim from the water.
- c. The Aquatics Director will notify the Camp Medic by camp radio, cell phone, or lifeguard runner. The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.

Canoeing – The Campers in the canoe will paddle the victim to the nearest shore or dock. If the victim is in the water and too large to quickly bring into the canoe, one person can hold onto the victim while the other person paddles. Other Lifeguards use the response boat to bring the AED, spinal injury board, and first aid equipment to the scene. The Aquatics Director will notify the Camp Medic by camp radio, cell phone, or lifeguard runner. The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.

Rowing – The Campers in the boat will row the victim to the nearest shore or dock. If the victim is in the water and too large to quickly bring into the rowboat, one person can hold onto the victim while the other person rows. Other Lifeguards use the response boat to bring the AED, spinal injury board, and first aid equipment to the scene. The Aquatics Director will notify the Camp Medic by camp radio, cell phone, or lifeguard runner. The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.

Kayaking – Lifeguard will use the response boat to use a line to tow the victim to the nearest shore or dock. The Aquatics Director will notify the Camp Medic by camp radio, cell phone, or lifeguard runner. The Camp Medic will contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS) via 911 and will assign an Adult Unit Leader to meet emergency vehicles (if called) at the front gate and direct them to the scene. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management.

- Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Scout Executive as soon as practical. The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.

5. Epidemic:

* Any camper or camp staff that develops an illness that includes more than just one person, will be reported immediately to the Camp Medic for investigation.

* Examples would be foodborne illness, COVID-19 symptoms, Flu symptoms, and Strep Throat symptoms that may all be communicable situations and could create an epidemic if not addressed.

- * The individual will be escorted to the medical facility exam room. The Camp Medic will wear personal protective equipment (PPE) before examining the individual. Camp Staff or Adult Unit Leader escorting the individual will wear personal protective equipment.
- * The medical will perform an examination to determine what treatment is warranted and will follow the medical standards that the council physician has provided for the camp. The Camp Medic will contact Wheeler County Emergency Management and Wheeler County Public Health within 24 hours to report on the nature of the illness and symptoms presented. The Camp Medic will follow instructions provided by Wheeler County Emergency Management and Wheeler County Public Health.
- * Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Scout Executive as soon as practical. No one on camp is authorized to speak to the media regarding any incidents per Scouting America policy. Only the Scout Executive or his/her designee will provide information to the media, parents, next of kin etc.
- * The parent/guardian notification will be made by the Scout Executive as soon as practical, but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make contact via phone.
- * The individual, depending on the medical exam, may be referred to the local hospital, isolation for an amount of time at the camp, or sent home (parent/guardian to pick up). Isolation will take place in the medical facility exam room.
- * Campers will be notified to watch for applicable symptoms and to report any symptoms to their Unit Adult Leader or Camp Staff immediately.

6. Unauthorized or unknown individual present on the camp's premises:

- * All Campers and Staff are required to have a colored wristband indicating their status. Visitors are required to check-in at the Administration Building and receive a colored wristband indicating they have properly checked-in and are an approved visitor.
- * If an unauthorized/unknown individual is seen by a camper or non-adult camp staff, they will notify the Camp Ranger, Camp Program Director, or Adult Unit Leader and report this individual providing the last known location, the situation, and a description of the individual.
- * The Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will approach the unidentified person and inquire what their business is. Many times, the individual didn't know to check in at the Administration Building and will be escorted to the Administration Building to check in.
- * If the unauthorized/unknown individual does not have a reason to be on camp, the Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will escort the individual off camp with instructions to not return. A report will be made of the interaction.
- * If the unauthorized/unknown individual refuses to depart the camp, the Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact Wheeler County Sheriff via 911 and will keep the individual in site until the Sheriff responds on scene.
- * If the unauthorized/unknown individual appears to have a weapon or is displaying anger (yelling, swearing, etc.) the individual will not be approached. The Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact Wheeler County Sheriff via 911 and will keep the individual in site at a safe distance until the Sheriff responds on scene.
- * Campers and staff are safeguarded against unauthorized individuals by following the Scouting America Guide to Safe Scouting guidelines.

* Once the incident is completed, the Camp Ranger will contact the Scout Executive to advise of the situation. Parent/guardian notifications will be made by the Scout Executive but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make notifications. Mass notifications via email will be used.

7. Transportation emergency:

* Camp does not provide private company transportation services to or from camp or to and from program facilities that may be used offsite.

*If privately owned vehicles are used to transport campers to an offsite program area, Adult Unit Leaders will provide that transportation. It is the Adult Unit Leaders' responsibility to have proper insurance required by the state.

*If Adult Unit Leader vehicles are not available, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will contact Wheeler Independent School District to secure buses to relocate Campers and Camp Staff.

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will determine if the camp is to be evacuated to an offsite location or relocated to a different location off camp.

*The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will sound the siren to gather Campers and Camp Staff to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by Camp Program Director to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan. At that time, the Camp Ranger will announce the plan to evacuate or to stay in the camp.

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will contact the Wheeler County Sheriff and Wheeler County Emergency Management to notify of the transportation emergency.

* If relocating off camp, Adult Unit Leaders will gather the Campers and transport them to the Wheeler Veterinary Clinic located at 1309 W. Oklahoma Ave, Wheeler, Texas, which is the off camp muster site.

* Once the evacuation is completed, the Camp Ranger will contact the Scout Executive to advise of the situation. Parent/guardian notifications will be made by the Scout Executive but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make notifications. Mass notifications via email will be used.

8. Natural disaster, including flood, hurricane, tornado or wildfire; or emergency event:

- **Floods** At Camp MK Brown, there is a small lake that is fed by both natural springs and rainfall. Over the past 15 years, the springs have not produced much water due to the ongoing drought in the area. In addition, little rainfall has increased the water levels. This can all change quickly in the event of a torrential downpour or change in weather patterns.

*The Camp Ranger will continuously monitor local weather resources; weather radio that receives real time NWS updates, radar, and Wheeler County Emergency Management.

* If the weather forecast shows the possibility of rain in the vicinity of camp or the National Weather Service issues a flood advisory or warning in the camp vicinity, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will determine if any of the lower-lying campsites need to be evacuated. This decision will be made prior to the expected event so preparation can be made in advance. To determine which campsites are vulnerable to flooding, the Camp Ranger will look at where they are located compared to where the existing dams are located, potential road flooding whereby campers could not relocate, and how the roads/trails allow water to flow and where.

*Campers and Camp Staff will relocate to the muster site in the Dining Hall temporarily until the Camp Ranger has determined an all clear.

*At first notice of the possibility of flooding, the Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Wheeler County Sheriff's Office and Wheeler County Emergency Management to remind them there are campers on camp and they are preparing to relocate within camp due to potential flooding.

* Once the weather situation is completed, the Camp Ranger will contact the Scout Executive to advise of the situation. Parent/guardian notifications will be made by the Scout Executive but if not available, the Camp Program Director will make notifications. Mass notifications via email will be used.

Hurricanes do not occur at or near Camp MK Brown due to the desert location

Tornadoes are a possibility at camp, especially in the late afternoon and evening hours during the spring and summer.

*The Camp Ranger will continuously monitor local weather resources; weather radio that receives real time NWS updates, radar, and Wheeler County Emergency Management.

Definitions:

A **tornado watch** means weather conditions are likely to produce a tornado in the watch area.

If a **tornado warning** is communicated, there is an imminent threat of a tornado. A warning means a tornado has been sighted in the area or has been indicated by radar.

*If Adult Unit Leader vehicles are not available, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will contact Wheeler Independent School District to secure buses to relocate Campers and Camp Staff.

Procedures:

*In the event of a **tornado watch**, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will begin preparatory action. This will include announcement to Adult Unit Leaders and Adult Camp Staff members to prepare to secure program areas, campsites, and equipment. If this takes place in the evening or during sleeping hours, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director shall determine the possible direction of the potential tornado and whether it's necessary to sound the camp siren. Constant monitoring of the situation is required until such time as an all clear is given or the storms have dissipated.

*In the event of a **tornado warning**

*The Camp Ranger will continuously monitor local weather resources; weather radio that receives real time NWS updates, radar, and Wheeler County Emergency Management.

*The Camp Ranger will activate the camp siren indicating Campers and Camp Staff will relocate to the Tornado Shelter or Shower House (cinderblock construction with no windows). Upon arrival at the shelters, roll call will take place by the Camp Program Director to determine if all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan.

*Upon the issuance of a tornado warning, the Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will contact the Wheeler County Sheriff's Office and Wheeler County Emergency Management to remind them there are campers on camp and they are preparing to relocate within camp due to a potential tornado. Wheeler County Sheriff's Office has requested to be notified of how many Campers and Camp Staff are in each tornado shelter location.

*No Campers or Camp Staff will be released from the tornado shelter until an all clear is sounded.

* If a tornado watch is issued, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will notify the Camp Staff and the Camp Ranger will continuously monitor local weather resources; weather radio that receives real time NWS updates, radar, and Wheeler County Emergency Management.

Wildfires in the local area are a possibility due to the dryness and lack of rain.

* In the event of a wildfire off camp property, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will monitor the progress of the fire to determine if camp is in the path of the fire. The Ranger will coordinate with Wheeler County Fire Department and Wheel County Emergency Management to determine if campers should be evacuated to a different part of camp or off camp.

* Depending on the direction of the wildfire, and the time to evacuate, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will sound the siren to gather Campers and Camp Staff to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by Camp Staff to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan. At that time, the Camp Ranger will announce the plan to evacuate or to stay in the camp.

* If told to evacuate, Campers will proceed with their Adult Unit Leaders to depart camp in their unit provided personal vehicles and exit the camp either to the north or south. The Camp Ranger will provide which direction to travel. If the Camp Ranger indicates that campers are to go south, proceed to Wheeler and the gathering place is the Wheeler Veterinary Clinic at 1309 W Oklahoma Ave, Wheeler, TX 79096. If campers are directed to go north, drive to the intersection of Highway 83/1046. There is a large parking area at that intersection.

*Upon arrival at the off-camp location, roll call will take place by Camp Staff to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan. Campers, Camp Staff and Adult Unit Leaders will remain there until given further instructions.

Sheltering in Place:

* The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will determine the need to shelter in place. The Camp Ranger will sound the siren to gather Campers and Camp Staff to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by Camp Program Director to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan. At that time, the Camp Ranger will announce the plan to evacuate or to stay in the camp.

*No Campers or Camp Staff will be released from the Dining Hall until the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director issue an all clear.

Training on this plan:

*A hard copy of this plan is provided to and reviewed with all Camp Staff during staff training. The training is provided by the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director.

*The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will update training when necessary.

*Campers are trained in how the plan is activated and what they are required to do within the first 24 hours of camping. The training is provided by the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director.

*The presentation of the emergency plan is developmentally appropriate instruction for the age, reading level and comprehension of the Campers receiving the training.

*Scouting America provided Training Forms to be completed by the Camp Program Director listing each attendee's name, unit number, date of training, and signature. The Camp Program Director is responsible for maintenance of training records. A copy of this form will be kept in the camp office and one copy maintained in the Scout Council headquarters.

*Training of Camp Staff and Campers will also include camp boundaries, expected behavior by all Campers and Camp Staff, and any camp hazards (poison ivy/oak, wildlife on camp, heat and hydration). The training is provided by the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director.

*Printed copies of this plan are available at check-in to camp and posted in the Administration Building and Dining Hall. Parents/guardians will be provided with an electronic copy of this plan via email prior to arriving at camp for their registered camper or a prospective camper who is registered in a future camp session. Parents/guardians will be required to sign the Confirmation of Receipt of the Emergency Plan form to be turned in by the Camper at check-in.

*A copy of this plan will be posted on the Council's website.

Who contacts Emergency Services/Parents:

In the event of an emergency listed above, the Camp Ranger will be the primary staff member to communicate with Wheeler County Emergency Management. If unavailable or at the Camp Ranger's direction, the Camp Program Director or Camp Medic will act as the Camp Ranger communication designee.

If the Camp Program Director and/or Camp Medic need to be contacted, camp radios and/or cell phones will be used. If these fail to contact them, a Camp Staff member will physically go to the Administration Building to make contact. Any Camp Staff member or Adult Unit Leader have the authority to contact the Camp Program Director or Camp Medic.

If parents are to be contacted for any reason, the Camp Director will consult with the Scout Executive prior to contacting parents/guardians and discuss the situation. If the parent must be contacted for a medical reason, the Camp Medic should contact the parent/guardian directly. It is suggested that the Adult Unit Leader be present during any calls made to the parent.

Other:

*If the camp is required to evacuate for reasons not listed above by order of Wheeler County Emergency Management, the Camp Ranger or Camp Program Director will provide Campers and Camp Staff directions for action.

*All evacuation routes in camp are illuminated with solar lights that automatically turn on at night.

*Evacuation routes are identified on camp maps provided to all Camp Staff during training and Campers during check-in to camp. Evacuation route maps will be posted in the Administrative Building, Dining Hall, Shower House, and at each camp site. There are no cabins located on camp. Evacuation route maps will be provided to each Camper to place in their personal tent. Camper tents are personally owned and not provided by camp. The evacuation route maps will include emergency contact information.

*The camp map indicates illuminated paths for the camp sites being used during the camp session. Camp sites that are not being used during the camp session are not illuminated.

*The camp has an emergency warning siren that does not rely on internet to function. It operates using electricity with the operating switch located inside the Administration Building near the medical room door inside a red box. The Camp Ranger is responsible for maintaining the emergency warning siren.

*The camp has an emergency PA system to share the information with the entire camp at the same time as the emergency siren is sounded. The PA system can be heard across the entire camp property. It is not reliant on internet. The emergency PA system microphone is located in the camp Trading Post. The Camp Ranger is responsible for maintaining the emergency PA system.

*The Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will make the determination when the siren will be sounded and may direct other Camp Staff to activate the siren. The Camp Ranger is responsible for maintaining the emergency warning siren.

*Any Camper who is hard of hearing will be assigned a buddy Camper to assist when the emergency warning siren is sounded.

*The Camp Ranger will continuously monitor all safety alerts from Wheeler County Sheriff and Wheeler County Emergency Management. If necessary, the Camp Ranger and Camp Program Director will sound the siren to gather Campers and Camp Staff to the muster site Dining Hall. Upon arrival at the Dining Hall, roll call will take place by Camp Staff to determine whether all Campers and Staff are accounted for. If there is a Camper or Camp Staff missing, the Camp Ranger will initiate the "Lost Camper" plan. At that time, the Camp Ranger will announce the information related to the safety alert.

* Camp utilizes AT&T Internet Air Broadband service. Camp utilizes Starlink Internet as the secondary broadband internet service. The Camp Ranger is responsible for maintaining and monitoring internet services.

Camp MK Brown- FEMA Flood Plain Map- Green indicates there has not been a determination of flood hazards

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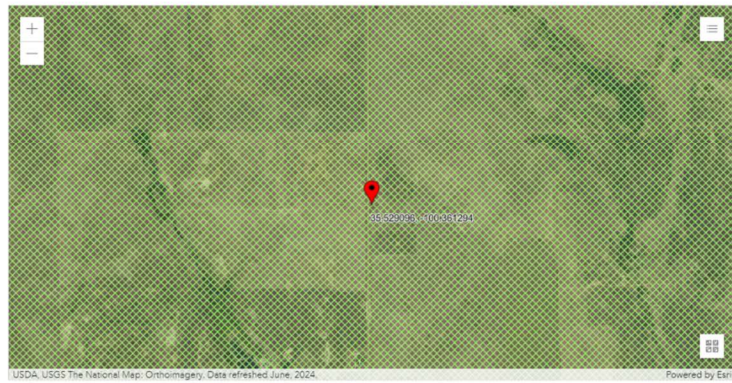
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Confirmation of Receipt of the Emergency Plan

I acknowledge that I have received and read the Emergency Procedures specified for this camp. I understand that unit volunteer leaders will be briefed on these procedures within 24 hours of the camp session start date and will be responsible to ensure all leaders, scouts, and visitors are aware of and will follow this plan. I **understand that without this confirmation signed and dated, and on file at the Camp Office, my scout and adult (if applicable) will not be authorized to remain on camp overnight,**

Scout (s) Full Name:

Adult (s) Full Name (If attending camp):

Unit Number:_____

Date attending camp:_____

Parent/Legal Guardian (Print)_____

Parent/Legal Guardian (Signature)_____

Date:_____

Please return this form to the unit leader attending camp OR mail it at least 5 days before camp session starts to:

Golden Spread Council, Scouting America

401 Tascosa Rd

Amarillo, TX 79124

Attn: Camp Director/Event Director