



RSR 2025 SPRING CAMPOREE Leaders Guide

Rainbow Scout Reservation

Morris, IL

May 2nd–4th, 2025

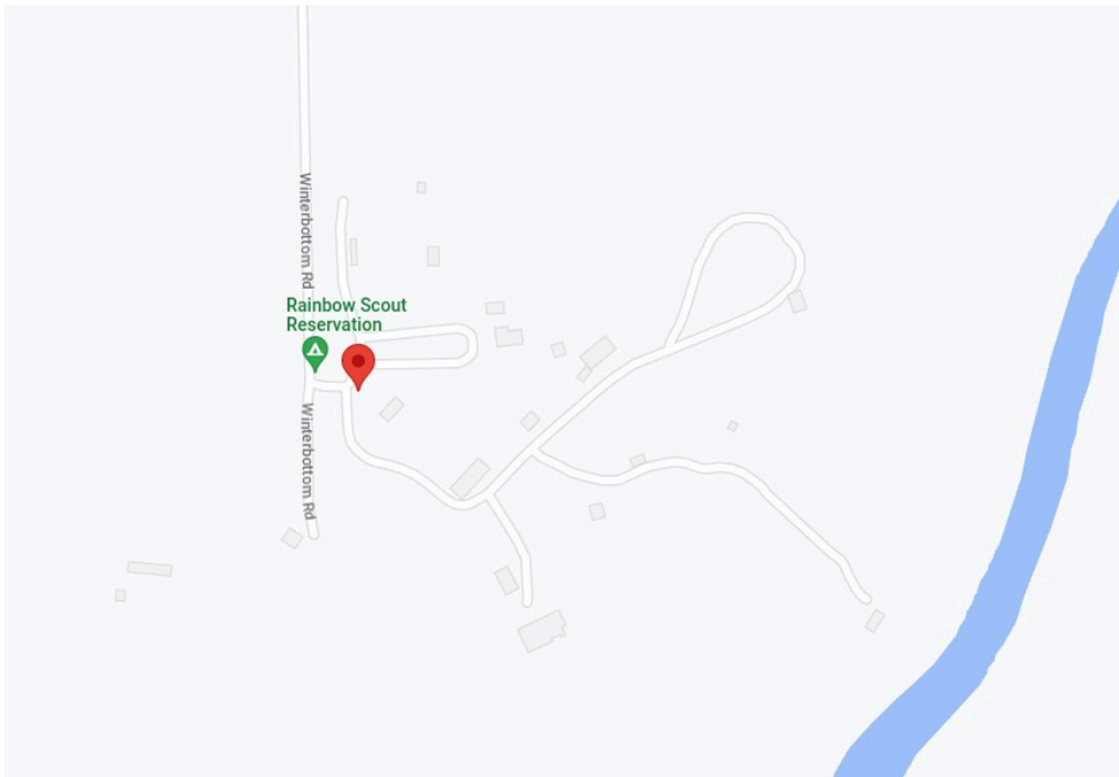


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Location

The camporee will be held at Rainbow Scout Reservation. All units should plan to arrive Friday evening between 6:00 and 8:00

Address: 2600 Winterbottom Rd. Morris, IL 60450



Registration

- The registration fee for Scouts is \$25 when made by April 23rd. Late registration is \$35 by April 30th.
- Registration for adults is \$18 when made by April 23rd. Late registration is \$28 by April 30th.
- Register at [2025 Spring Camporee - Rainbow Council](https://scoutingevent.com/702-springcamporee2025#) (<https://scoutingevent.com/702-springcamporee2025#>)
- The registration fee is for a full weekend of theme-based activities and, of course, a patch!
- Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or older are required for each troop. There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or older in every troop serving females. Linked Troops and unlinked Troops sharing campsites must provide two registered adult leaders for each troop unless otherwise authorized in writing by Rainbow Council's Scout Executive.

If you are a linked troop, please make sure to note this on your registration.

Check-in opens on May 2nd at 6:00 PM and closes at 8:00 PM.

- All units will check in at the main camp office. Please have only a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster and the SPL enter the office to check in.
- Please be prepared to pay for all registration and late fees not yet submitted by check. We will verify the name and number of people in your unit attending the Camporee at the time of check-in.
- Please be sure to bring a current copy of [parts A and B](#) of the BSA's Annual Health and Medical Record for all participants and adults to the event.
- These forms can be found online at:
<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx>

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- **Medical forms will be collected at check-in. COPIES WILL NOT BE RETURNED.** If there are any medical conditions or considerations for any of your adult volunteers or Scouts, please bring these to the camporee medic's attention at check-in. Part B of the medical form includes the BSA Talent Release Agreement. **If any participant's parent or guardian prefers NOT to have their youth in Council photographs, please bring this to the attention of the camporee staff when you check in as well.**
- **Campsites do not have electricity.** Those needing a CPAP machine or other electric medical devices should bring a battery pack for nighttime usage. We can provide a location to charge these batteries if needed.
- **The camp speed limit is 5 mph and will be strictly enforced. ONE trailer and ONE tow vehicle per troop will be allowed to the campsite for unloading. Only the trailer may remain in the campsite, and the tow vehicle must be returned to the parking lot after unloading.**
- **For troops with no trailer, TWO vehicles will be allowed to the campsite for unloading, and ONE vehicle may remain.**
- Campsites will be assigned and determined by the number of campers in each troop. Space will need to be made to neatly park your troop trailer within your designated campsite boundaries. Parking will be at a premium, so it will be more important than ever to rideshare and economize travel to include as few vehicles as possible.
- Please be kind and courteous to our staff as they do their best to facilitate a fun event for you and our Scouts. They have volunteered their time to make this fun!

Check-Out: Sunday, May 4th, 2025, 8:30 am until complete

Sunday morning will consist of your troop's breakfast, campsite clean-up and clearing by our staff, and finally the check-out with Camporee Staff. Please take ALL trash to the dumpster behind the dining hall before you leave your campsite.

Safety

- **Buddy System:** The buddy system must be used at all times. Buddy pairs may only be single gender. Buddy pairs can only be made between youth members,

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which are 2 plus or minus years of age. Adult program participants and adult volunteers over the age of 18 cannot buddy with youth members.

- **Engaged Supervision:** Adult volunteers must always follow the Guide to Safe Scouting, enforce the buddy system, and provide two deep, engaged supervision. “Engaged supervision” means being aware of everything going on around you. If something doesn’t seem right, take the time to investigate. Never assume that the youth will handle it on their own. Notify adult staff immediately of any concerns.
- **Youth Protection:** If you think any of the BSA’s Youth Protection policies have been violated, including those described within Scouting’s Barriers to Abuse, make sure the Scouts are safe, notify local authorities if appropriate, and then you must notify your local council Scout executive, Ted Karns, at 708-471-7335, so appropriate action can be taken for the safety of our Scouts.
- **Weather:** In a severe weather emergency, the brick flush toilets and the dining hall can be used as an emergency shelter.
- **Siren protocol:** If you hear sirens, proceed to the dining hall.
- **Emergency Medical Service:** Routine Scout-specific medication and other minor first aid issues should be handled within the troop. Each troop should be outfitted with a campsite first-aid kit that is centrally located. Camporee does provide a Camporee first aid officer located in the main office for injuries beyond basic troop first aid. Injuries or near-misses should be reported to and recorded by the camporee first aid officer. In an emergency, call 911, then call Scout executive Ted Karns at 708-471-7335.
- **Campfires:** Campsites must use a pre-made fire area. Do not create a new fire pit. There usually is plenty of pre-cut firewood available in campsites; please protect our forest by not bringing in outside wood. If scavenging for wood in the campsite, please remember the “Four D’s”: Dead, Down, Dinky, and Dispersed. Do not chop down trees or branches. Axes may be used in troop-established axe yards under adult supervision. Per the Guide to Safe Scouting, liquid flame starters are prohibited, and absolutely no flames are allowed in tents. All units should have a fireguard schedule posted on their campsite. A blank copy is attached to this booklet.
- **Leaving Property:** If anyone needs to leave the property for any reason, please sign out and back in at the front office.

General Information

Patrol Size: Each patrol competing should be made up of no more than 10 Scouts. *Any patrol that is more than 10 scouts will be split up.* Any patrols less than 10 might have to complete stations differently.

Patrol Equipment Required: The following is a listing of equipment that each patrol should have with them as they compete in each event:

- Patrol Flag
 - Neckerchief per patrol member
 - Tinder for Firemaking
 - Scout Handbook
 - Pocket Knife
 - Rain / Snow Gear
 - Totin' Chits
 - Pencil or Pen
 - First Aid Kit
 - 1 full water Bottle per Patrol Member
 - Inspection/Score Sheet (Provided at check-in)
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- **Headquarters:** Camporee headquarters will be at the Camp Office
 - **Scout Spirit:** Scout Spirit is the core of everything we do as Scouts and Scouters. It is the embodiment of the Scout Oath and Scout Law, and it is the cheerful attitude displayed in all we do.
 - **Uniform:** The uniform for the camporee is the BSA field uniform. The field uniform is expected for all Scouts and Scouters during registration, flag ceremonies, and campfires. The activity uniform (class B) can be worn during campsite set-up, competitions, and meals. All shoes should be closed-toe. While clothing should be appropriate for the activity, each troop determines what is "appropriate" for their unit.
 - **Campfire Program:** There will be an opportunity for your troop to participate in the campfire program on Saturday evening. Patrols are welcome to perform a skit, song, or story at the campfire. The skit, song, or story must follow the BSA campfire guidelines and is required to be approved by the camporee staff. Those guidelines are attached. A form for skit, song, or story submission is also attached, which must be turned in by closing flags on Saturday!

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- **Cooking/Meals:** Each Troop is responsible for providing all meals and snacks for themselves. Each troop is responsible for the cleanliness of their campsite and for packing away their trash after the event. **Empty all trash cans into the dumpster behind the dining hall before check-out.**
- **Water:** Potable water is available via the exterior spigot on the shower house near the dining hall.
- **Food Storage:** Each troop is responsible for supplying their food, cooking equipment, and secure (raccoon-proof) food storage containers.
- **Bathroom Facilities:** Latrines are located throughout RSR. Flush toilets and showers are available in the shower house near the dining hall.
- **Prohibited Items:** The Camporee staff or Scout Camp reserves the right to confiscate any prohibited items or items felt to be unsafe from either campers or adults. Prohibited items include fireworks, firearms, ammunition, alcohol, tobacco products, cannabis products, illicit drugs, knives with fixed blades or blades greater than 3", laser pointers, or other items determined to be unsafe.
- **Lights Out:** Quiet time in camp is from Taps (10:30 PM) until Reveille (7:00 AM). We ask that you be courteous and respect this time for all and have all Scouts remain in their sites during this time.

Outdoor Ethics

This camp belongs to all of us! We show our appreciation by properly respecting the property during our event. This means staying within our area of operation and keeping it, and all its facilities clean. BSA's Outdoor Ethics should be embraced in full during the Camporee. We clean up after ourselves as well as pick up litter as we come across it.

The Outdoor Code

As an American I will do my best to; be clean in my outdoor manners, be careful with fire, be considerate in the outdoors, and be conservation minded.

Leave No Trace Principles

- Plan ahead and be prepared
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces
 - Dispose of waste properly
 - Leave what you find
 - Minimize campfire impacts
 - Respect wildlife
- Be considerate of other visitors

SPRING CAMPOREE 2025 MAY 2-4TH AGENDA:

Spring Camporee 2025 Schedule	
Friday	
6:00-8:00 PM	Registration and Camp Set Up (main camp office)
8:15-8:45 PM	SPL and Leader Meeting
8:30-10:00 PM	Movie (Wonder Park) (At the dining hall)
10:30 PM	Quiet Time
11:00 PM	Lights out
Saturday	
9:00 AM	Opening Flags (Prade Field)
9:30-11:30 AM	Patrol competitions
11:30-12:50 PM	Lunch (At your campsite)
1:00-3:00 PM	Patrol competitions
4:30 PM	Closing Flags
5:00-7:00 PM	Dinner (At your campsite)
6:00 PM	Cooking Competition Due (Wilhelm Center) (Carnival Theme)
7:30-8:45 PM	Campfire and Awards (Fire Bowl)
10:30 PM	Quiet Time
11:00 PM	Lights out
Sunday	
8:00 AM	Breakfast at campsites
9:00-10:00 AM	Breakdown campsites
11:00 AM	All scouts must be out of camp

BSA Camporee Events

** Each event description is an overview of the tasks to be completed during the competitions. If changes are made to any of the competitions from what is described below, the scoring card for said event will reflect the change, and the changes will be described in detail by the event staff before the competition begins. The camporee staff thank you for your understanding. If the patrol is not sure about anything, it is up to the scout(s) and patrol to ask questions. Staff will be able to deduct points for anything they deem unscout-like. The staff's decision will be final!

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Carnival Crawl	
Location:	Scout Craft
Objective	Scouts will complete an obstacle course that scouts must complete promptly.
Rowdy Rows	
Location:	In Front of the trading post
Objective	Scouts will compete to see how many games of Connect 4 they can win with a twist
Duck Dash	
Location:	Trading Post (Side)
Objective	Scout will compete to see how many times they can move the duckies
Ringmaster's Challenge	
Location:	Trading Post/Quad
Objective	The scouts will compete to see how many rings they can toss onto bottles
Alphabet Adventures	
Location:	Quad
Objective	Scouts will compete to see how many scout laws they can spell out by searching for the letters.

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Circus Smashdown	
Location:	Side Dining Hall
Objective	Scouts will compete to see how many cans they can knock down in a certain amount of time.
Are you smarter than the Ringmaster?	
Location:	Dining Hall
Objective	Scouts will compete in trivia to see who answers the most correct questions
Bucket Brigade	
Location:	Front Dining Hall
Objective	Scouts will be timed; to see how long it takes them to score 5 buckets with multiple twists.
Protect The Candy	
Location:	Prade Field
Objective	Scouts will compete to gain candy from the other team while protecting their own.
Foodie Frenzy	
Location:	Active Field
Objective	Scouts will compete to see how many food items they can find promptly.

Camporee 2024 Competition Scoring

Scouts are encouraged to participate in all the events to be able to achieve the maximum number of points. Every troop should carry their troop **or** patrol flag with them to every competition, work as a team, and involve every member of the troop in all events to demonstrate their Scouting Spirit. In all activities and challenges, every Scout should keep SAFETY FIRST as their first goal. Awards are based on the patrol's achievements based on the standards below.

Scoring will be based on how the patrol does at each event. There will be a score sheet given to each patrol at the start of the camporee. It is the responsibility of each patrol to hold on to their score sheet. It is up to to the patrol to make sure their score gets recorded in there score sheet. Once a patrol leaves, they will not be allowed to get there points written. Patrols must turn in the score sheet at the end of the competitions to the camp office.

Campsite Inspection

Inspection will be done at each campsite during the day on Saturday while scouts are out having fun with the games. If you are at a shared campsite, your area will be judged for yourselves. For example, if Troop A is sharing a campsite with Troop B, wherever Troop A's stuff is, is where they will be judged.

Leaders / Troop Cookoff

Special Ingredient to Use: CARNIVAL FOOD

Go for the victory and do the best you can! The dish must include 50% carnival foods. The judges would like the dish to be sweet!

As much as the judges love your creativity, the judges do not need an entire Dutch oven worth of your dish; they just need enough for 4-5 samples.

When planning your dish, please take into consideration people's preferences. For example, the judges may not like extremely spicy foods.

The tasting will start promptly at 6:00, and we know everyone wants to serve their hot dishes, hot, and that will be taken into account with the scoring if yours happens to cool a bit before it is tasted. Dishes arriving AFTER 6:10 will be at the judge's discretion if they can compete and could be deducted points.

Please have only two scouts or one adult bring your troop's dish. This will ensure that the dining hall does not get crowded and that the judges can give every dish the appropriate amount of time. Once a dish is judged that troop can return to their campsite.

Event score sheet

Unit/Patrol:

Station	Game	Time	Points	Patrol Yell	Signature
1	Carnival Crawl				
2	Rowdy Rows				
3	Duck Dash				
4	Ringmaster's Challenge				
5	Alphabet Adventure				
6	Circus Smashdown				
7	Are you smarter than the ringmaster?				
8	Bucket Brigade				
9	Protect The Candy				
10	Foodie Frenzy				

Units will arrive at their designated game area at the time that they are assigned. Once teams arrive, if they have a patrol yell, they will say their patrol name and do their yell. If teams do this without being reminded, they will earn one extra point or 30 seconds of their time. If teams don't have a patrol or a patrol yell, they can make one up or let the staff there know.

Camporee 2025 Campfire Submission Form

This form is to be used to submit each tall tale, song, or skit that will be performed at the Saturday night campfire program. Use of a carnival theme is encouraged when deciding the basis for your skit/song but is not required. Participation is encouraged, and patrols may perform multiple skits/songs. Use your imagination, have fun, and keep it Scout-appropriate. Please refer to "BSA Ceremonies and Campfire Guidance" in this booklet. Depending on the total number of submissions, not every skit or song may be able to be performed; all submissions are due to the camp office prior to closing flags on Saturday!

Unit # _____

Unit/patrol Name	Skit/song/story name	Approximate time

Skit/song/story brief description:

Campsite Inspection

Cooking Area-

- Patrol Boxes are closed _____/2
- Duty Roster is posted _____/2
- Everything is organized and clean _____/4
- All food is stored properly _____/3
- Trash is stored properly _____/3
- First aid supplies are visible _____/3

Campfire-

- Out or watched _____/4
- Away from tents _____/3
- Safety tools by fire (shovel, water, etc.) _____/2
- All within fire ring _____/2

General Campsite-

- "No flame in tents" posted somewhere in campsite _____/2
- Personal gear is not out carelessly _____/3
- Everything is overall clean _____/3
- Troop Flag is displayed _____/2
- One car or trailer at campsite _____/2

Total _____/40

Scoutmaster / Patrol Cooking Competition Score Sheet

Note: One dish per Patrol can be served

FOOD PROTECTION AND SANITATION: 5

1. Appropriate FDA rules and guidelines are followed (5)

Presentation:8

1. Entry served before scheduled time: 6:00 PM (Do not arrive earlier than before 5:50.) (3)
2. Creative use of Serving Dish (2)
3. Creative presentation of food (3)

TASTE - 12

Meal appetizing and edible (12)

Total _____/30

Keep in mind: the judge can award any extra points for anything spectacular.



BSA Ceremonies and Campfire Guidance

(National Camping School)

Ceremonies and campfires are fun and exciting parts of any camping experience! They give youth the ability to perform, but runons, stories, skits and songs must also fit within the program guidelines of the BSA. There are numerous things that are inappropriate and unacceptable. While the following is not an exhaustive list, it will help you begin the discussion about ensuring only appropriate material is portrayed:

- No name Calling, put-downs, Hazing
- No references to undergarments, nudity or bodily functions
- No cross-gender impersonation at any point in the skit
- No derogatory references to or stereotyping of ethnic or cultural backgrounds, economic situations, or disabilities
- No portrayal of sensitive social issues such as alcohol, drugs, gangs, guns, suicide, etc. – *be mindful of this in song lyrics as well.*
- Wasteful, ill-mannered, or improper use of food or water including wasting food in ANY way for comedic purpose is not allowed. *You may not know the current situation of youth and adults who are in the audience. Many may not have adequate food at home and the wasting of food in any way would further point out this disparity. Additionally there are parts of the world where water is not potable therefore the wasting of water is not appropriate.*
- No inside jokes that exclude some of those present
- Do not change lyrics to patriotic songs (“America”, “America the Beautiful”, “God Bless America”, “The Star-Spangled Banner”) or hymns and other spiritual songs
- Do not embarrass anyone – including staff or audience members (even if they are “in on it”) - *just because the staff member is in on it, everyone in the audience is not aware of that fact and the appearance is that you are making fun of someone.*
- Do not portray violent behavior or any behavior not in line with the Guide to Safe Scouting (ex. pointing “guns” at each other)
- No bathroom humor or skits/songs where a toilet is the punchline or a part of the skit or song.
- No water skits – NO ONE gets wet in any way (includes staff, and even if they are “in on it”)
- No material with sexual overtones
- **Do not include anything that is not in keeping with the ideals of the Boy Scouts of America.**

Best motto to have is, “If in doubt, take it out!”

All material should be vetted by the camp leadership team. Be sure you understand all aspects of the performance and what will happen. For example, a unit may have the same name for a skit and have a different interpretation of it than you expected.

Each of us has a role to help ensure our ceremonies and campfires represent the BSA ideals and brand. Thank you for communicating this material to your short-term camps so that they can help us all represent the best in Scouting.

UNIT FIREGUARD CHART

Fill out and post this chart on your campsite bulletin board.

Unit Campsite Fire Prevention Assignments		Equipment Checked
First Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____
Second Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____
Third Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____
Fourth Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____
Fifth Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____
Sixth Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____
Seventh Day _____	Date _____ Patrol _____	_____
_____	Fire Warden _____	_____



We will prevent fires by breaking matches in two after using.



Putting fires COLD OUT with water.



Feeling with fingers to test heat.

FLAMMABILITY WARNING CAMPING SAFETY RULES

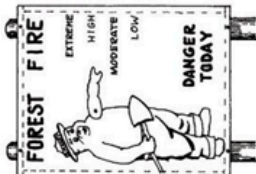
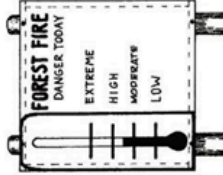
- NO TENT MATERIAL IS FIREPROOF, AND IT CAN BURN WHEN EXPOSED TO HEAT OR FIRE. FOLLOW THESE RULES:
 - Only flashlights and battery-powered lanterns are permitted in tents. **NO FLAMES IN TENTS** is a rule which must be enforced.
 - Chemical-fueled stoves, heaters, lanterns, lighted candles, matches, or other flame sources should **never** be used in or near tents.
 - Do not pitch tents near open fire.
 - Do not use flammable chemicals near tents: charcoal lighter, spray cans of paint, or bug killer and repellent.
 - Be careful when using electricity and lighting in tents.
 - Always extinguish cooking and campfires properly.
 - Obey all fire laws, ordinances, and regulations.
 - Keep campers informed on a daily basis of your camp's fire danger.



Clearing all burnable material 4 to 6 feet away from the fires or as required by local law.

In the case of Cub Scouts, they should immediately seek adult help, sound the alarm by yelling, "Fire!" and stay away from attempting to fight any camp fire. If adult help is not readily available, the Cub Scout should continue to sound the alarm, send a runner for help, and/or dial the camp office or 911.

VARIOUS TYPES OF FIRE DANGER SIGNS IN CAMP



SOUND ALARM



DROPTENTS (CANVAS ONLY) IF NECESSARY AND SAFE TO DO SO

IN CASE OF FIRE

REPORTING AND ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

At some camps local changes are made in these suggested procedures. All exceptions, however, should be made on the recommendation and with the approval of local fire authorities.

IN A UNIT CAMPSITE

- Sound the alarm by yelling "Fire!" and then notify the first adult you see, then report to a camp officer or the camp fire warden.
- Extinguish a fire only if it can be done quickly and easily.
- When the central alarm is sounded to warn the camp, quickly mobilize in your unit. Move to your preassigned point immediately and await directions.
- A runner reports to the camp office for instructions from the camp fire warden.
- In the event of a tent fire, you can douse it with water or sand, or simply stand back and let professionals fight the fire.

OUTSIDE UNIT CAMPSITE

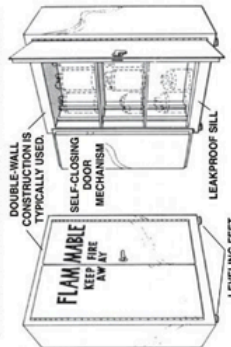
- If you discover a fire anywhere in camp, report immediately to the camp office so the alarm may be sounded and fire authorities notified.
- Camp fire warden sounds the central alarm, and your unit follows steps 3 and 4 above.
- Remember:** Campers should not be directly involved in the fire fighting process except for fires that can be quickly and easily extinguished.

In case of a fire in our campsite, we will notify _____ Camp fire warden and follow the instructions of our unit fire warden.

Control of Flammable/Combustible Liquids and Gases in Camp

Because serious accidents can happen in connection with the use of liquid fuel, propane, butane, etc., in lanterns and stoves and as a result of igniting fires with liquid starters, adult supervision is required when chemical fuels are being used for lighting and cooking. Local councils have the option of restricting the use of chemical-fueled stoves, lanterns, and heaters in campsites under their jurisdiction.

- **Knowledgeable adult supervision** must be provided when Scouts are involved in the storing, handling, and filling of stoves or lanterns or the lighting of chemical fuels.
- **Battery-operated lanterns and flashlights** should be used by Scouts in camping activities, particularly in and around all tents. No chemical-fueled lantern, stove, or heater is to be used inside a tent.
- **Kerosene, gasoline, or liquefied petroleum-fuel lanterns** may, when permitted, be used inside permanent buildings or for outdoor lighting. When used indoors, there must be adequate ventilation. Strict adherence to the safety standards and the instructions of the manufacturers in fueling and lighting such stoves and lanterns must be carried out under the direct supervision of a responsible and knowledgeable adult.
- **Empty liquid-petroleum cylinders for portable stoves and lanterns** should be returned home or to base camp. They can explode when heated; therefore, they must never be put in fireplaces or with burnable trash.
- **The use of liquid fuels for starting any type of fire is prohibited.** This includes damp wood, charcoal, and cer-



Will your camp be there next season? This is a good question to ask at the close of each camping season as you pack away equipment and leave. In fairness to next year's campers, do everything that can be done to ensure the safety of camp equipment and camp timber.

Fall, with its dry, dead leaves that often bank high around camp buildings is, in many sections of the country, the most dangerous fire season of the entire year. Spring is another bad time.

Here is a checklist of things to do at all times to be sure that your camp is fireproof year-round:

1. Destroy greasy rags.
2. Dispose of all combustible refuse and trash safely.
3. Be sure that doors and shutters are strong enough to keep out trespassers, vandals, or thieves.

emorial campfires. Solid-type starters are just as effective, are easier to store and carry, and are much safer to use for this purpose.

- **Space heaters that use chemical fuels consume oxygen and must be used only in well-ventilated areas.** Using space heaters in poorly ventilated cabins, camper trucks, and recreation vehicles can cause fires and asphyxiation. The use of charcoal burners indoors can be lethal in causing carbon monoxide poisoning.

Bulk Storage and Practices

Storage of liquid fuel and other flammables is a camp maintenance function. Filling tanks for motors, vehicles, and motorboats should always be handled by someone qualified by age and training for this responsibility. Similar responsible handling and control are prescribed for the limited use of kerosene. Use kerosene only for outside night lights and stationary heating stoves (not portable). Both gasoline and kerosene should be kept in well-marked safety cans and stored in ventilated locked boxes located away from buildings and tents. Large quantities of gasoline should be stored in a properly installed fuel tank with pump. Keys to pumps and storage boxes or sheds should be given to one adult (primarily the camp ranger), who distributes these fuels. Propane or butane storage tanks and permanent caps should be installed by experienced and knowledgeable individuals and changed only by gas distributors. These installations must conform to local regulations and must be inspected regularly.



USE SAFETY CANS ONLY!

Year-Round Prevention Plan

4. Slow away firewood and loose equipment that might be used by trespassers.
5. Clear away dead grass or trees, ferns, leaves, bushes, straw piles, and trash from buildings.
6. Clean grease traps and dispose of the grease by burning it at a safe place or burying it in mineral earth.
7. Be sure the camp is ready for winter use. Check fuels, wall and floor protection around heaters, and protecting screens for fireplaces. Inspect location of fire pails, fire extinguishers, and mobile fire-fighting equipment.
8. Develop a fire prevention plan in accordance with OSHA standard 29 CFR 1910.139.



HOW YOUR UNIT FIREGUARD PLAN WORKS

DUTIES

When you arrived at camp, you were oriented and trained in the use of the unit fireguard plan. It is your responsibility as a unit leader to train your Scouts in fire prevention, fire detection, reporting, and fire control. Only implement fire control techniques that can be done quickly and easily.

Study the procedures outlined on this chart and then train your staff and youth members. Post the chart for all to see and follow. At some camps local changes are made in these suggested procedures. All exceptions, however, should be made on the written recommendation and with the approval of local fire authorities.

Organize to make the fireguard plan work by appointing capable fire wardens and deputies.

FIRE WARDENS AND DEPUTIES

As responsible Scouts appointed by their adult leader, the unit fire warden and his deputy are in charge of training, know where fire equipment is located, and are familiar with the unit fireguard chart. They instruct all unit fire wardens and Scouts in the operation of the camp fireguard plan. They conduct annual inspections of fire extinguishers and check to be sure all cooking fires, heating fires, and campfires are out at night or when no one is attending or monitoring the fire during the day. Unit fire wardens and deputies conduct fire drills at least once a week and follow the direction of the camp fire warden. They receive reports related to fire hazards daily from the duty fire warden.

Every boy in the unit should feel responsible for fire prevention, but the unit fire patrol for each day must be alert and ready to evacuate and account for everyone in case of fire emergency or drill.

If a small fire breaks out, the person discovering it should take immediate action, whether or not he is on the fire patrol for the day. Time is the most important element in the suppression of a fire. Some examples of fire control techniques are:

- Immediately send someone to seek assistance, send a runner for help, and/or dial the camp office or 911.
- Douse fire with water or sand.
- Smother fire with a lid.
- In the event of a tent fire (canvas only), simply kick out the end tent poles if it can be done safely.

Remember: Campers should not be involved in the fire fighting process except for fires that can be quickly and easily extinguished.

In making daily inspections of the unit campsite, the unit fire warden should follow the fire-prevention suggestions and use the fire-fighting equipment illustrations found throughout this chart as a guide. Campsite equipment will vary according to your camp. Results of the daily inspection should be posted on the chart in the space provided.

PATROL FIRE WARDEN

The patrol leader is responsible for training his patrol in the unit fireguard plan and leading the unit in practice evacuation and fire prevention.

He checks daily to be sure all members are preventing fires and are prepared in case a fire breaks out. He makes sure and double-checks that fires are built only on nonburnable soil in areas where they will not spread. He verifies to see that all fires are put COLD OUT and that open flames are not permitted in or near tents. He shows patrol members how to drop tents (canvas only) in case of fire. In the event of a tent fire (canvas only), you can simply kick out the end tent poles if it can be done safely and let professionals fight the fire.



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