

# Camp Usage Policies

## Policy Statement

Howard H. Cherry Scout Reservation belongs to the Scouts and Scouters of the Hawkeye Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Please treat it as if it were yours to preserve it for future generations. The Term 'group' refers to the Scout Unit or Non-Scout Group attending camp.

## Reservations and Fees

- 1 Reservations are accepted up to one (1) year in advance at the Scout Service Center. Council, OA, and district reservations may be made 18 months in advance.
- 2 Reservations are confirmed only upon receipt of the Camp Facilities and Equipment Reservation Form and a site deposit. Program and equipment requests will be honored at camp on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- 3 Cancellations: made more than 90 days in advance a group can transfer fees paid toward another date within one (1) year. Cancellations: made less than 90 days in advance will result in loss of fees paid.
- 4 Districts will be billed 30 days in advance for reserved facilities. (Districts must cancel at least 90 days in advance to be able to transfer building/site fees paid toward another date within one (1) year.
- 5 Fee payments for equipment rentals, shooting sports, and trading post charges must be paid within 30 days of departure from camp. (*Advance payment is required for canoe rentals.*)

## Arrival and Departure Procedures

**Check – In:** One Troop leader must present a roster and check-in with the Camp Ranger, or Campmaster upon arrival to review your group plans, facilities, rules of the camp, and any special accommodations. Please confirm your arrival time with the camp ranger prior to your camping dates should it be different than originally stated on the Camp Facilities and Equipment Reservation Form.

**Check – Out:** Groups should notify the camp ranger or Campmaster before departure to insure they know to secure the building.

## Regulations

- 1 Units must have at least two (2) adult leaders at all times. Youth are not to be without adult supervision. **Groups are responsible for their members and their actions. The buddy system should always be used at camp.**
- 2 Liquid fuels and propane must be used under direct adult supervision. Chemical fuels and open flames are prohibited inside tents. Chemicals fuels are not allowed to be used to start fires.
- 3 Fires are to be built only in designated rings or barrels. The camp ranger may prohibit fires during extremely dry conditions. Fires are not to be left unattended. Put fires out cold.
- 4 Standing timber or brush is not to be cut without approval of a camp ranger.
- 5 Recyclable items and garbage should be separated and placed in appropriate containers in designated area. Please recycle to conserve our natural resources.
- 6 The camp speed limit is 15 mph. Each passenger must use a seat belt. Absolutely no passengers in the back of trucks or on trailers. All vehicles are to remain on the road or in designated parking areas. All gear is to be carried into the site. Other arrangements must be made with the camp ranger or the Campmasters.
- 7 Do not disturb the campsite; no digging, trenching or raking.
- 8 Snowmobiles and ATV's are not allowed in camp.
- 9 Archery equipment and firearms are available at camp for unit activities. Personal equipment and firearms are allowed only with prior approval of the camp ranger, and must be checked in upon arrival. Firearms and archery equipment are to be used at the ranges only. No ammunition of any kind may be brought to camp.
- 10 Use camp toilets and latrines properly. Do not dispose of garbage, wash water, aluminum cans, etc. in the facilities.
- 11 Alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs are not allowed in camp.
- 12 The camps will be closed in the event conditions make it impossible to access building/sites. Groups will be called in the event the camp has been closed by the council. If the council closes the camp or in the event the weather conditions close schools and/or public events, groups may transfer building/site fees paid toward another date within one (1) year.