

ROUNDTABLE – CUB SCOUT OVERNIGHT CAMPING POLICIES

Camping certainly adds to overall Scouting experience.

Getting outdoors whether to hike or go camping is important part of retaining Scouts.

And recruiting parents to be leaders

SAFE- all activities are to be conducted safely and to ensure safety of participants leaders should use the four points of SAFE when delivering Scouting program

Supervision - qualified and trustworthy adults – **BALOO trained and Hazardous Weather**

Assessment – activities are assessed for risks

Fitness and Skill- Medical form and activity is right for age, maturity, and physical abilities

Equipment and Environment -appropriate clothing, equipment good repair, assessing weather

Age appropriate guidelines for Scouting Activities must be followed

Breakdown by den (required and elective):

Lion- Mountain Lion – req. - hike

Let's Camp – elec attend Council/district overnight or pack/family overnight

Tiger- Tigers in the Wild – req. -hike

Let's Camp elec

Wolf- Paws on the Path – req – hike

Let's Camp – elect

Bear- Bear Habitat – outdoor walk

Let's Camp

Webelos – Webelos Walkabout

Let's Camp – elec

AOL – Outdoor Adventure – required

Tenting – Cub Scouts may share tent with parent/guardians

All Other programs youth and adults must be separate

Different ways to go camping:

Council or District event:

Program is planned for you

give you chance to know families – develop friendship – recruit leadership

Pack Organized

camp on own

at least one leader must be BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation)

as of Sept.1, 2023 – Cubs may camp 2 nights

location – must be approved by local council with Pack Overnight Site

Appraisal Form on file

must plan activities

Webelos and Arrow of Light- den coordinated campout

Still in Cub Scouts so must still have BALOO trained leadership- Cub Scout rules apply

Still must be with parent guardian -

no parent- two registered leaders may agree to be responsible

Webelos cannot camp with BSA Troop

Arrow of Light

may attend Troop campout -

Should have parent

BALOO trained leader must be present-- two deep leadership

Age appropriate must be followed

As of June 1, 2023

Camping policies for Webelos and Arrow of Light groups have been separated

Both can camp as den

Webelos cannot camp with BSA Troop either at Troop or district/council events

Arrow of Lighters can participate and camp at unit coordinated campouts with BSA troop

as long as have two deep leadership

Cub Scout Adults

Cub Parents do not have to be BSA registered
All leaders and other adults must be registered

Lions and Tigers must have adult parent/guardian
Wolf, Bears must have adult parent/guardian, but in exceptional circumstances another registered leader who is a parent of a Cub Scout attending the campout, must be allowed to have 1 non-family youth member to be responsible for – with ok of leader and parent/guardian

Siblings and Cub Scout camping:

In Cub Scout camping, unregistered siblings are encouraged to attend pack-coordinated events as it's a family-centered program, and parents/guardians can share a tent with their family, including siblings.

Questions to think about for your unit

How often do you plan campout?

What kind?

Council organized

Pack organized

den organized

Getting outside – especially in spring and summer – summer activities fit in with elective awards

get Scouts outside – even city hike is great – don't have to go far to explore outdoors