

Camp Lowden Rules and Regulations

Rules are made for the safety of campers, protection of equipment, and to provide fairness to all. The basic rules governing Camp Lowden are the Scout Oath and the Scout Law. To avoid any misunderstanding, the following also apply at Camp Lowden. Unit leaders are responsible for ensuring that each camper is aware of these rules, and are asked to remind those who are observed in violation to cease such conduct.

Two-Deep Leadership

- All units using camp must have a minimum of two (2) adult leaders present, at least one of which must be twenty-one (21) years of age or older. Venturing units with female members must have at least one female and one male leader present at least twenty-one (21) years of age or older.
- Anyone leaving camp must sign out with the Campmaster or Ranger.

Vehicles

- Scouts should be encouraged to hike their gear to the assigned campsite/cabin.
- Only vehicles towing trailers may move gear to the campsites and may make only one trip. Trailers may be unhitched and left at the campsite but the towing vehicle must return to the parking lot.
- No other vehicles are permitted beyond the parking lot. Exceptions to this rule are as follows:
 - Emergency vehicles
 - Vehicle needed due to medical reasons
 - Camp vehicles and authorized work vehicles
- No RV's are allowed in campsites. They must remain in the parking lot at all times.
- Any camp road or trail may be closed at the discretion of the Ranger or Campmaster during inclement weather, or if other conditions warrant their closing (such as soft or wet ground, etc.)
- *No vehicle or trailer stuck in camp will be towed by a council vehicle or council representative. This includes Campmasters.* The owner of the vehicle or trailer is responsible for its removal. The two towing businesses in Oregon are: John T's (815-732-3146), Aken's Auto Body (815-732-2727).

Firewood

- Any dead wood on the ground may be cut up and burned in the campsite firepits.
- The wood box at each cabin contains split wood which is only to be used in the fireplace and wood stove in that cabin and may not be used in the campsite firepits.
- Additional split wood is available for stove use only and may be checked out from the Campmaster or Ranger.
- Please fill the wood box full of firewood for the next unit.

Water sources

- Thunderhawk campsite (located near the road between Winnebago and Frontiersman campsites)
- Ranger campsite along access road.
- South side of Main Lodge

Telephone

- The Campmaster or Ranger has telephone access which is to be used *only in the case of an emergency*.
- Unit leaders are permitted to have cell phones.

Prohibited on Camp Property

- Firearms, bows and arrows, sheath knives, or ammunition of any kind
- Fireworks of any kind
- Alcoholic beverages, marijuana, or other unlawful drugs
- Tobacco products of any kind
- T-shirts, caps, or other articles of clothing depicting alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, or vulgar language

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- Discussion of any violations should take place away from youth members.
- Any violations of these policies could result in the offending parties (or even the entire unit) being asked to leave the camp. In such instances, no refunds will be given.

Property Boundaries

- Camp Lowden is surrounded by the Lowden-Miller State Forest. Signs mark the boundary.
- Lowden-Miller State Forest is used for hunting and hiking only.
- Lowden-Miller State Forest will have hunters in the woods during deer and turkey season.
- All campers and visitors must remain on established trails—low-impact camping procedures.

Service and Conservation Projects

- We have service and conservation projects for any unit or individuals upon request.
- Only those over the age of 18 may operate any power equipment of their own in camp.
- Scouts may earn service hours (except for the rank of Eagle Scout) for helping on projects.

Fires

- No flames—*of any type*—are permitted in tents.
- All fires must be confined to established fire rings or stoves.
- No jumbo-sized campfires are allowed.
- Fires must be tended at all times.
- Fires must be fully extinguished and all fire rings and stoves should be emptied of ashes.

Trash

- Units are responsible for cleaning all facilities used, including latrines and grounds in campsites and in surrounding areas and roadways. Units will follow Leave No Trace principles.
- All trash should be bagged up and put into the dumpsters located at the north end of the parking lot. Do not just put it on top.
- Units supply their own trash bags.
- No food, trash, or dishwater should be dumped in the washstand sink or latrine seats.
- Nothing should be in the latrine pits except for human waste. Units will be asked to remove all other trash, including pop cans, before being allowed to leave camp.

Camp Buildings

- Camp buildings may be used only as requested and approved on the Camp Use Permit, upon payment of the appropriate building use fee.
- Any unauthorized use of buildings will result in imposition of the building use fee.

Responsibility for Damage

- Units are financially responsible for any damage to any camp facility and equipment caused by their Scouts, parents, and leaders.
- Inform the Campmaster or Ranger of any problems or damage.
- Always leave the cabin and campsite in better condition than when you arrived. The next unit will appreciate the effort that you make.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Camp Lowden Rules and Regulations and agree to follow the same.

Signature of Unit Leader

Unit

Date