

EXPECTATIONS For all Facility Use in the Gerald R. Ford Council

These facilities are provided by the Council to support unit programs, District activities and Council events. The facilities are a large financial obligation of **direct unit service by our Council**. Please enjoy these facilities, protect them, and give everyone the chance to enjoy a great facility.

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| ? No smoking or open flames in any of the buildings. ? No illegal drugs or alcohol on any Scout property. ? No firearms, weapons or fireworks on any Scout property (special permits are issued for units wishing to use the ranges-contact our camping secretary.) ? Be careful with propane or white gas stoves and lanterns. ? Park all vehicles only in the provided parking lots. ? No vehicles in campsites. | ? Cook only in Kitchen provided areas. ? Units must provide their own camping and cooking equipment. ? Build outdoor fires in the provided areas. ? Place all trash in the dumpsters or "Pack it home". ? Don't dig tent trenches or key hole fires. ? Share ideas on methods to improve our camp service. ? No personal pets in camp |
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RESERVATIONS AND FEES

We understand that:

- ? Facilities are rented* on an first come basis**.
- ? Reservations and a facility use permit **are needed** on any Council owned properties. Permits are issued anytime up to ten (10) working days before you wish to use the facility.

- **Camp reservations are not accepted during the time of summer camp usage, on all holiday weekends including Thanksgiving and Christmas, or the Michigan firearm deer season.**

(PLEASE-no reservations will be accepted with less than 10 working days notice.)

? **Ranger "weekends" are normally every Monday and Tuesday - help us protect this family time for our ranger.**

* **Rental fees are nominal to Council units**

** **Gold Medallion and Team Player Units received first chance to reserve facilities, then non team player and out of council units.**

ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE (Camp Only)

- Arrival and departure times must be adhered to. Arrival should be planned for after 5:00 pm, but no later than 9:30 pm on Friday, or plan to arrive after 8:00 am on Saturday. If you are going to be more than an hour late, please call the Camp Ranger at (231) 894-4990.
- Upon Arrival at camp, **you must check in** with the Ranger before going to the reserved site or building.
- The Ranger is required to check for proper credentials if the waterfront or rifle range or Cope/Tower areas or Dining Hall Kitchen is to be used.
- Vehicles are to be parked in designated area only. No vehicles are to be in a campsite unless approved by proper camp leadership.
- All units should plan a check-out at their sites by the Camp Ranger prior to 3:00 pm on Sunday. Check out times are scheduled during check-in at the Camp Ranger's area. **All units must be checked out by the Ranger before departure.**

LEADERSHIP

- Please follow the guidelines in the Guide to Safe Scouting

HEALTH AND SAFETY (Camp)

- Please follow the guidelines in the Guide to Safe Scouting

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Male and female leadership requires separate sleeping facilities. Male and female youth participants **may not** share the same sleeping area. **Adults may not, at any time, share tents or rooms with youth unless it is their child.**

PAYMENT

- All fees must be paid at the DeVos Family Center for Scouting TEN working days prior to facility use. Usage fees must be submitted with this form. Four (4) working days notice is required for cancellation and return of fees.

And lastly:

All activities at our facilities must be designed to be a positive asset to the training and growth of every person using the proven aims and methods of the Boy Scouts of America. We understand that the "Scout Oath and Scout Law" are the real traditions of our facilities and are the responsibility of every adult leader (volunteer or professional) to demonstrate by their own personal example.

We are all responsible to "**Leave it better than we found it**" - please report any damage to the Camp Ranger or DeVos Family Center for Scouting. We realize that it is our personal responsibility to replace or repair property or equipment damage that we incur.

**We have great Council facilities - let's keep them great for all to use!
ON MY HONOR, I WILL DO MY BEST!**

Questions, thoughts on improvement, permits, use fees, non Scout requests, special facility requests (waterfront, canoes, dining halls, etc.) or concerns may be directed to your District Executive, the Ranger or the Council Scout Executive.