

Code of Conduct
Cherokee Scout Reservation
3296 Boy Scout Camp Road, Yanceyville, NC

This code of conduct applies to all campers, adult volunteers, and visitors.

***I, (Please Print) _____, have read and understand the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its rules and expectations. I also understand that if I do not abide by these rules the consequences listed will be enforced.**

Youth/Adult Signature Date

All youth campers and youth staff (under the age of 18) must include a parent/guardian signature below.

***I, (Please Print) _____, parent/guardian of the above-named youth have read and have assisted my child in understanding the rules and expectations outlined in this Code of Conduct. We both understand the consequences that will follow, as listed below, if my child does not abide by the rules and expectations.**

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

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The following guidelines are designed to make your experience at Cherokee Scout Reservation satisfying to you and others attending. The individual rights, safety, and property of others must be respected.

Cherokee Scout Reservation operations are governed by:

- a. Federal, state, and local laws
- b. The Scout Oath, Scout Law, and the Outdoor Code
- c. *Guide to Safe Scouting*
- d. National Camping Accreditation Program (NCAP)
- e. Scouting America's Youth Protection policies and Scouting's Barriers to Abuse

1. Respect the rights and property of others:

- a. I will keep my hands and unwelcome comments to myself.
- b. I will not touch other people's belongings.
- c. I will not use disrespectful and abusive language - No profanity, slurs, or putdowns.
- d. I will not harass or haze others.
- e. I will be respectful of others (this includes personal space, religious and other deeply held beliefs, ethnic and life histories, gender, and life choices).
- f. I will follow my unit's dress code.
- g. I will not bring my pet to camp.

2. Respect the camp's property:

- a. I will not damage or deface camp facilities or property.
- b. I will respect the camp conservation easements.

3. Be concerned for the safety of campers and staff:

- a. I will be in my campsite from taps to reveille except when necessary for health and safety reasons.
- b. I will wear closed-toed & closed-healed shoes; open-toed & open-healed shoes are not safe on gravel and uneven terrain.
- c. I will follow the safety procedures reviewed in each program area.
- d. I will wear the safety equipment and clothing required for each program activity.
- e. Prescription and over-the-counter drugs will be under the control of an adult (unit leader or staff member).

4. The following items are strictly prohibited (there will be no second chances):

Camper, adult volunteers, and visitors participating in these actions will be sent home at the first infraction at their own expense.

- a. Alcoholic beverages, fireworks, illegal drugs, and tobacco (or any of its derivatives such as vapes) are not allowed.
- b. No personal firearms should be brought on camp property. The only firearms and ammunition allowed in camp must be owned by the council.
- c. Gambling or betting for money, public displays of affection between anyone, fighting, threatening/physical abuse, stealing, tampering with emergency equipment, being under the influence of drugs or alcohol will not be allowed at camp.

CONSEQUENCES

The following steps will be followed if a camper, adult volunteer, or visitor does not abide by the rules.

First Infraction: Discuss the inappropriate behavior with an adult staff member, unit leader, or the camp director to clarify the rule.

Second Infraction: The camp director will discuss the inappropriate behavior with Scout and unit leader. A “time out” or other appropriate consequence will be given. The Scout’s inappropriate attitude and/or behavior will be discussed. Parents/guardians will be notified by the camp director of the Scout’s continued misbehavior and the corrective actions taken.

Third Infraction or Any Behavior Listed in Rule #4: The camp director will request the parent/guardian to pick up the camper to be taken home at their own expense. The camp fee will not be refunded. The decision of the camp director, in consultation with the Scout executive, is final.

If an adult volunteer is asked to leave camp, for the unit to remain in camp, all youth protection requirements must be maintained.

Additional consequences may be releasing the individual to the nearest law enforcement agency, assessing the cost of damages and repairs in the destruction of property, barring the individual from future Scouting America activities, and/or termination of Scouting America membership. The Scout’s parents/guardians will be notified of any action taken.