



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

CALIFORNIA INLAND EMPIRE COUNCIL

SUBJECT: RETURN TO OVERNIGHT CAMPING

The California Inland Empire Council is dedicated to the safety of our leaders, Scouts, and their families. Our Council leadership remains vigilant in monitoring state and county safety conditions. We will continue to work alongside our local health officials to determine the most appropriate response to the conditions at hand and for a safe return to all in-person Scouting.

Effective June 1, 2021 all registered units within the California Inland Empire Council may return to overnight camping events. As we resume to pre-COVID-19 activities, we all must continue to follow all guidelines, to include but not only limited to mask use and physical distancing, by county and state health departments. The following guidelines are **recommendations** from the California Inland Empire Council to help mitigate the risk of contracting COVID-19 during a camping activity.

- Encourage all participants to become fully vaccinated.
- Record a roster of all participants to include their contact information that attend the camping activity.
- Enforce mask use, physical distancing, and healthy hygiene behaviors as directed by the most current health department guidelines at the time of the camping activity.
- If possible, camp one person per tent. Otherwise, position sleeping bags/bedding so that campers are head-to-toe and distanced as much as possible.
- Conduct symptom checking prior to and daily during the camping activity.
- **Campers that develop symptoms associated with COVID-19 must be isolated immediately and referred for testing.**

Effective June 1, 2021 all overnight camping activities resume at Camp Emerson. The following guidelines **will be followed** for all organized overnight activities at Camp Emerson through the end of September or otherwise directed by county or state health departments.

- Encourage all participants to become fully vaccinated.
- Rosters of all participants to include their contact information will be recorded.
- Mask use, physical distancing, and healthy hygiene behaviors will be followed as directed by the most current health department guidelines at the time of the camping activity.
- All campers will be assigned to cohorts upon arrival at camp. These cohorts must remain together for the entire camp session without mixing with other campers and staff in close contact circumstances.
- If possible, camp one person per tent. Otherwise, position sleeping bags/bedding so that campers are head-to-toe and distanced as much as possible. Platform tents will not be available for use.
- Symptom screening will be required upon arrival to camp. Followed by daily screening for staff and participants.
- **Campers that develop symptoms associated with COVID-19 will be isolated immediately and referred for testing.**

If you have a fever, cough, or other symptoms associated with COVID-19, or if you believe you may have been exposed to COVID-19, do not participate with any in-person Scouting meeting, camping activity, or any other Scouting activity/event. People who think they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.

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