

Rules for Camp Zarahemla

GENERAL RULES

1. Campers should make a reservation prior to going to the camp. (There are many days in the summer where we are booked completely).
2. Families and other groups are encouraged to use the camps during times when it is not in use by organized Church groups. Camps are scheduled giving priority to LDS Church Young Women groups, then to other LDS Church-sponsored groups, and lastly to families and other groups.
3. The camp may be available to families and groups for a fee based on group size and facilities needed.
4. Overnight facilities will not be rented to unmarried couples or to "co-ed" groups.
5. Families and groups not directly sponsored by a unit of the Church, who wish to use Church recreation camps must fill out and sign the Hold Harmless Agreement.
6. All people whether or not they are members of the Church, who come to camp must observe the Church's standards of personal conduct as set forth in the "For the Strength of Youth" booklet. Dress and grooming should be modest, tasteful, and in keeping with LDS Church Standards. Modest dress is required, which means no bikinis, short shorts (no shorts above the knee), halter or crop tops, or see-through clothing.
7. Bathing suits should be one-piece or modest tankini for women and girls and loose-fitting, boxer-type for men and boys.
8. Alcoholic beverages, tobacco products and pornography are prohibited. Anyone found with any of these items on camp property will immediately be expelled from the camp.
9. Please refrain from foul language, as well as music or behavior that is not in harmony with the respectful atmosphere that should be maintained on the property.
10. Gambling, loud music, profanity, or offensive behavior will not be tolerated.
11. LDS youth are not allowed to bring face cards, boom boxes or computer games to their summer camps.
12. Each person who comes here should follow the highest standards of conduct—courtesy and kindness being the hallmarks of your conduct while here.
13. Use of personal electronic devices is prohibited at Young Women Camps. This includes cell phone, MP3, cd and DVD players. Leaders may use cell phones as needed.
14. Youth shall entrust any medications they might take to their adult leaders on the first day of camp.
15. Youth under age eighteen shall have adult supervision at all times, especially when swimming or boating.
16. Park only in designated areas and keep access roads and fire lanes clear.
17. No moving parking barricades to access cabins or campsites.
18. No running or playing around the caretaker's house.
19. No pets are permitted at Church recreation camps, even if they stay in your vehicle.
20. No HORSES.
21. No hunting on camp property.
22. Firecrackers and explosive devices are prohibited. Absolutely no fireworks are permitted to be brought to Church recreation camps, even for special events or holidays.
23. Guests shall obtain necessary state or federal licenses or permits for shooting, fishing, etc.
24. Report accidents or emergencies to caretakers immediately.
25. No swimming, boating or hiking without a "buddy."
26. All guests must wear approved life vests when using boats.
27. All guests shall provide their own lifeguards.
28. As a courtesy to other campers and neighboring residents, all campers are encouraged to be at their campsite and observe a noise curfew from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. For specific times or exceptions for special events, please contact the camp manager.
29. Cutting living trees and shrubs, and destruction of any vegetation is prohibited. No graffiti, carving or painting on the walls or trees.
30. Motorcycles, ATVs, dirt bikes or off-road vehicles are not permitted at camp. All motorized vehicles must remain on designated roads and parking areas. However, many properties have paths suitable for pedal bicycles. Check with the camp manager for details.
31. Sunday is the Sabbath Day. We encourage you not to engage in activities that are not in harmony with the spirit of the Sabbath. Please see "DEPOSITS" below, the office is closed on Sunday.

DEPOSITS

1. Deposits serve two purposes. The first is to secure your reservation. The second is to use the deposit as security against any damage caused by your party and to assure that the facilities will be left clean.
2. The deposit, which is equal to the first night's cost of the facilities reserved, is due within two weeks of making your reservation. After receipt of the deposit your reservation will be confirmed and a confirmation letter issued. If the deposit is not received within two weeks, the space will be made available to other people.
3. When you check in the deposit will be held as security against any damage caused by your party and to assure that the facilities will be left clean. In the event that there is any damage all or part of your deposit will be used to pay expenses before you leave Camp Zarahemla. You also agree to pay all costs of damage in excess of your deposit. Please make sure the site or cabin is clean when you leave.
4. Assuming there is no damage and the facilities rented are clean at the time of check out, the deposit will be credited against the balance due, except on Sunday.
5. Please note that the caretakers are not available to check in or check out anyone on Sunday. The OFFICE IS CLOSED on SUNDAY. If you plan on leaving on Sunday you will need to pay your balance on Saturday night, pay through Sunday night and your deposit will be mailed to you if the facilities rented are clean and undamaged.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Those that use this property will be required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement at the time they sign into Camp Zarahemla. Wording of the agreement requires that you have your own liability insurance and will not hold the LDS Church responsible for any accidents. You can print the Hold Harmless Agreement, sign it and send it with your deposit.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE

Sunday is sacred to the Latter-day Saints. The Office is closed. There will be no check-ins or checkouts on Sunday, and work at the camp will be restricted to necessary cooking and cleaning. Recreational activities are not allowed in camp on Sunday. Athletic fields, equipment, boats, and similar items are not to be used on Sunday. Generally camps are closed on Sunday unless approved by the host stake president and the person responsible for scheduling the camp. Persons staying through Sunday are invited to attend Church services nearby and engage only in activities that conform with the spirit of the Sabbath. Recommended Sunday Activities:

- Attending church in Yakima, Naches, or Packwood.
- Reading scriptures and other good books.
- Singing hymns.
- Taking walks.
- Writing or sketching in a journal.
- Meditating.
- Giving service to others.

FIRE SAFETY

1. Forest Service regulations govern the lighting of campfires at Camp Zarahemla. Please check with the camp manager regarding the current fire restrictions. Hot, dry summer weather can create very hazardous fire conditions. Guests should be especially careful with matches and campfires under such conditions. The Fire Service may ban fires under dry conditions
2. There may or may not be firewood at the campsite. Check with the camp manager or just bring your own firewood.
3. You can build fires ONLY in approved campfire rings provided by the camp.
4. An adult must supervise the fire at all times.
5. They must keep water or sand buckets near the fire ring and must extinguish their campfires each night.
6. Make sure fires have been completely extinguished with water and are cool to the touch—before leaving.
7. The woodstove in the lodge is not to be used for cooking. Guests who are using the woodstoves must clean out the ashes at the end of their stay.
8. Guests are responsible for keeping woodpiles neatly stacked and free from trash, debris and sharp objects.
9. Cans or other foreign objects must not be thrown into the stoves or campfires.

WATERFRONT SAFETY

1. Groups, individuals and families must provide their own lifeguards and water safety equipment for all waterfront activities.
2. Group leaders must give the caretakers a schedule of their boating and swimming activities at the time of registration.
3. The fees for summer camps will cover boat and equipment rentals; individuals and families will pay a separate rental fee if they wish to use camp equipment.
4. All campers will wear lifejackets when boating or working on the waterfront. Children under the age of ten shall wear lifejackets whenever they are near the lake. Small children and people with health problems are advised that swimming in the lake can be hazardous since the water is cold enough to cause hypothermia.
5. Again, youth under the age of eighteen must be supervised at all times, especially around the waterfront. Youth cannot go swimming or boating without being accompanied by an adult.
6. Adults shall not go swimming or boating alone, but shall always have a "buddy."
7. All campers should follow the procedure of telling someone on shore or at the campsite where they are going and when they will be back.
8. Fishing is allowed at Camp Zarahemla within the restrictions proscribed by state and federal law. No one may fish off the main dock if other water activities are going on in the area.

WEAPONS SAFETY

1. Hunting or trapping is prohibited at Camp Zarahemla.
2. Firearms, BB guns, paintball guns, air guns and other weapons are generally not permitted on the property.
3. Target shooting can be done in designated areas outside the main camp and is limited to single shot rifles, black-powder rifles, axes, knives and bows and arrows.
4. Handguns and concealed weapons of any kind are prohibited (scout regulation pocketknives excepted.)
5. Weapons shall not be cleaned, loaded, carried or in any way used in the main camp area but must be stored in locked vehicles outside of the main camp.
6. Group leaders must give a schedule of their target-shooting activities to the caretakers at the time of registration for approval.
7. Youth shall not participate in target shooting without adult supervision.

SANITATION

1. Shirts, pants and shoes must be worn in the main part of the camp and on the main floor of the lodge. Shoes are to be taken off before going into the sleeping lofts.
2. All guests are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. Guests who stay more than one night are expected to clean and disinfect the restrooms they use. Those who rent the lodge must sweep or vacuum and mop the floors.
3. Campers should take proper precautions when preparing and storing food. There are no refrigerators in the cabins or campsites, so guests shall provide for their own food storage.
4. Food and live bait must be kept in tightly covered containers so as not to attract rodents or insects.
5. Leftovers and other "wet" garbage should be sealed in plastic bags and taken to the dumpster immediately.
6. Hikers should carry Ziploc bags for disposal of litter.