

# DARBY GIRLS' CAMP REGULATIONS

## As of August 2017

DARBY GIRLS CAMP is operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on property leased from the U.S. Forest Service. The camp is located in Darby canyon approximately 10 miles east of Driggs, Idaho. These regulations are given as guidance for the use of the facility to assist in keeping the camp beautiful and safe for all to enjoy. All users of the camp are required to abide by these regulations so that we can continue to enjoy this wonderful resource and provide opportunities for the spiritual growth to the youth of the church.

### Persons in Charge

1. Current Forest Service regulations require that all special permit holders operating youth camps shall be under the supervision of a full time camp host. We address the requirement by calling camp hosts (LDS church service missionaries). Camp hosts act under the direction of the Agent Stake (Driggs). Camp hosts work with stake leaders to ensure compliance with rules pertaining to camp maintenance. They receive special training and provide the supervision required by forest regulation.
2. Each visiting group is responsible to ensure that all members of their group adhere to these regulations and to report any problems to the camp hosts who, if the need arises, will seek direction from the agent stake.
3. Usually the persons in charge of your camp activities and programs are the Stake Young Women President and the Stake Camp Director in conjunction with presiding priesthood leadership.
4. For individual ward use within the stake the persons in charge are normally the Ward Young Women President and the Ward Camp Director in conjunction with presiding priesthood leadership.

### Supervision of Girls

1. Girls must never leave camp without permission of their leaders.
2. At no time shall the camp be left without adult supervision.
3. Each ward must have at least one priesthood leader in camp at all times but it is recommended that you have two priesthood leaders in camp at all times. Many visiting priesthood brethren spend time helping the camp hosts complete maintenance projects, a practice that has kept the camp in good repair without the services of a paid maintenance person.

### Visitors

1. No visitors are to come to camp unless they are a member of the participating stake/ward/family and only when their stake/ward/family is at camp- unless they are invited by or are on special assignment.
2. For YW camps: No boys or unmarried men are to be in camp unless under direct priesthood assignment.

### Parking & Vehicles

1. Parking is to occur in designated areas only and always facing down the canyon [reverse parking]. Do not block roads or access to the lodge or garbage collection sites.
2. No parking on main road except at the pullouts.
3. No trailers of any kind may be parked in pullouts or in upper parking lot.
4. New parking areas have been created west of cabin #8 on the south side of the road, on the north side of the road just below the priesthood bathroom, on the west side of the road leading down to the meadow and in new meadow parking.
5. Only two RV camp trailers are allowed in Darby at one time. The designated parking for camp trailers is in the parking area just inside of the main gate just before camp #8. There are no hookups, etc. for camp trailers.
6. Motorcycles and ATV's are not allowed in camp. ATV exception for handicap and camp host use only. Exempted vehicles may be used only on designated trails/roads. Please request ATV handicap exemption from the camp scheduler.

## Tents

1. Tents are only to be set up on established tent pads. Current forest regulations do not allow overflow tent camping in the meadow.
2. No food, including candy, or scented items should be stored in the tents. This includes lotions, lips balms, shampoos, etc. Please keep these items in the food storage unit.

## Garbage Disposal and Food Storage

1. **THERE ARE BEARS IN DARBY CANYON.** We have experienced bears in camp numerous times over the years. The best way to discourage their visits and avoid the possibility of injury to campers or the need of having a bear destroyed is to keep a clean camp.
2. It is the responsibility of each visitor to Darby to leave the camp clean and litter free during your stay. Nothing distracts from the camping experience like a dirty camp. KEEP DARBY CLEAN. Please pick up and properly dispose of all paper and trash.
3. Do not burn left over food and paper products containing leftover food in fires. These practices can attract bears.
4. All garbage should be **DOUBLE** BAGGED in HEAVY DUTY BAGS and deposited in either the garbage collection dumpsters or the individual camp site's bear proof garbage container. The contents of the bear proof containers must be taken to the main garbage dumpsters at the end of the day after the last meal is eaten. Do not store garbage in the camp areas overnight. Do not overfill bags. Make sure they are properly tied. The camp hosts will check for proper disposal as a part of the check out procedure.
5. ALL food will be stored in the bear proof setting provided by the permanent food storage units in each camp. Food may no longer be stored in camp cabins. Food and equipment trailers can be unloaded near your campsite but cannot remain on the roadside but must be parked in areas designated by camp hosts.
6. Food should be kept in containers that will reduce odors such as large plastic totes with lids. The food storage unit's door must be kept closed except for those times when food is being taken in or out. Do not cool unattended food in the creek. All food must be secured if a camp is left unattended for any period of time.
7. No food, including candy, or scented items should be stored in the tents. This includes lotions, lips balms, shampoos, etc. Please keep these items in the food storage unit.
8. All camp-chef (gas grill) type cooking should be done on cement cooking pads. All grease left over from any type of cooking, including dutch ovens in the fire, should be handled on this cement pad. The grease should be placed in a leak- proof container to cool and then taken to the garbage dumpster.

## Fires-Firewood-Fire Safety

1. Firewood is available at Darby. It is permissible to gather and cut up downfall around the camp.
2. No fuel can be removed from the camp. Please be careful not to cut down or deface any live trees.
3. Fires may only be built in designated fire rings.
4. Do not leave fires unattended. Exercise care with the use of lanterns and propane stoves.
5. Keep a full bucket of water close to the fire area at all times.
6. It is against both forest and camp relations to use fireworks in camp at any time.

## Generator Use

1. We are fortunate to have electricity for our convenience at Darby. The generator provides power to pump water from the well, provide lighting, and allow the use of other appliances. Please be aware that the generator does NOT need to be on for you to have running or hot water.
2. Each group will have use of the generator use for approximately five hours each day. Camp host missionaries will coordinate with camp leaders to accommodate activities needing electricity.

### **In-camp Trails and Flagged Areas**

1. Keep to the designated trails and campgrounds in camp. This practice will prevent erosion and protect the vegetation.

### **The Slide**

1. The use of slides at Darby is a fun tradition, which we wish to keep. The best way to ensure this is for everyone to adhere to the posted rules. **Mandatory rules include: no trains, no slide enhancements such as cardboard, wax paper, nylon jackets/sleeping bags, etc.**

### **Restrooms/Showers**

1. Please keep the new restrooms clean! Use the wastebaskets and clean up after yourselves. It is the responsibility of the stake/ward/families to ensure that the restrooms are in clean and functional condition at the end of their stay. Check-out forms will allow each ward/stake/family to ensure that all facilities are ready for the next camp. **Cleaning supplies, Hand soap, hand towels and toilet paper ARE provided. Campers supply their own garbage can liners. Please email camp scheduler for recommended garage can liner sizes.**

### **Lodge and Cabins**

1. It is the responsibility of each visiting stake/ward/family to keep the lodge and cabins clean and orderly during your stay and left that way upon leaving.
2. The buildings are not to be hosed down.
3. **No cooking is allowed inside of the Lodge.** You may serve food and set up meal seating and tables.
4. There should be no unauthorized painting of buildings, including graffiti, either inside or outside of the buildings. A building inspection will occur at the end of each group's visit. If new graffiti is evident the offending group cannot check out until those blemishes have been corrected. This may require a trip to Driggs to buy paint.

### **Hikes**

1. Many of the hikes available in the vicinity of Darby are located in the Jedediah Smith Wilderness Area. **Travel in that area is restricted to groups of 20 – absolute rule!** As of the summer of 2013 the member stakes attending Darby have voluntarily agreed to the following carefully manage their hike groups as to limit the impact on wilderness trails. Groups should be spaced properly and taught where and how to cross when they meet on a trail. No two groups are to stop and eat lunch, etc. together. Each hiking group will sign the Darby Hiking Agreement and fill out a hiking roster prior to leaving for their hike. Forms should be given to the camp host. As very visible ambassadors for the church a real effort should be made to treat other hikers with respect. Peace and quiet is a hallmark of wilderness that most hikers cherish. Special care should be used when visiting the monument. The area has become badly eroded. Make a real effort to create the least amount impact possible. Visit the area in small groups and avoid areas that could be further degraded by your presence.
2. Go prepared to bury all human waste 6 inches deep and at least 100 ft from streams and 200 ft from lakes.
3. Emphasize the buddy system while hiking. Leaders should be well versed in the dangers of lightning, stream crossing and other conditions that could mar the joy of backcountry travel.

## Bears/Other Animals

1. Bear sightings and significant bear signs such as scat or tracks noticed within camp must be reported to the Wyoming Game and Fish Dept. (307-733-2383 ext. 270). One person from camp should make this call, preferably the camp host – please coordinate. If a bear is seen, report the time, date, any obvious behavior such as aggressiveness, color, size, and species to the camp hosts. Arrangements have been made with the agency to meet with our hosts prior to the opening of camp and train them in the appropriate manner to both report and deal with such incidents.
2. **No pets** are allowed in camp.
3. If livestock is seen in camp please report this to the camp hosts.

## Misc

1. Darby camp assumes no liabilities for visitors. Insurance is the responsibility of individuals and sponsoring units.
2. No uncased guns in camp.
3. Local phone numbers:

**All medical, fire and other emergencies dial 911**

**Local Phone numbers continued:**

Ryan Kunz (208) 317-6177 (Camp Manager)

Sheriff: (208) 354-2323 Teton County Idaho

Hospital: (208) 354-2383 Driggs, Idaho

Fire Dept: (208) 354-8120 Driggs, Idaho

Wyoming Game and Fish Dept: 307-733-2383 ext. 270