

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Terms and Conditions

Terms and Conditions for any Girl Scout or non-Girl Scout group utilizing a facility owned and operated by Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay.

Activities and Facilitation

There are a number of activities that groups can engage in at our four properties. Some activities are only available at particular locations but options include canoeing, kayaking, paddle boarding, swimming, low challenge course, zip lining, archery, geo-caching, Frisbee golf, and more.

Dining Services and Food at Camp

Some of our lodges contain residential size kitchens. Commercial kitchens are located in the Program Center at Camp Grove Point, STEM Lodge at Camp Country Center, and the Program Center at Camp Todd. Groups may rent a commercial kitchen but must provide a copy of valid Serv Safe certification for the individual designated to handle their food operations. Certification can be obtained online at <https://www.servsafe.com/home>.

When utilizing dishes and utensils, all items must be washed after use in water over 100 degrees Fahrenheit, rinsed in an approved chemical sanitizer, air dried after use, and stored in a location safe from dust and contamination.

Only utensils and equipment that have been cleaned and sanitized should be used during food preparation, all food contact surfaces must be cleaned and sanitized after use, and it is recommended that potentially hazardous foods are kept to minimum time in the food danger zone between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit.

Internet and Cell Phone Signal

Most of our camp locations have unreliable cell phone signal coverage from all providers. Wireless Internet is available in select locations on our properties and may be utilized upon special request of your assigned Camp Director.

Linens

Bed linens and sleeping bags are not provided. It is recommended that anyone staying overnight on one of our property bring twin-sized sheets, sleeping bag or blanket, pillow, and towel.

Meeting/Audio Visual Needs

GSCB properties are frequently used as meeting or conference center spaces, as such; we strive to provide you with supplies to make your meeting successful. Some buildings have built-in technology. For additional technology needs or concerns, contact your appropriate Camp Director.

Parking and Vehicles

Parking is limited at many of our sites so carpooling is encouraged. Upon arriving at camp, all vehicles must have posted in the front driver side of the vehicle an index card with the name of the person responsible for the vehicle during the stay, the group they are staying with, the building where they are staying, and a contact phone number.

Vehicles are not permitted off of designated roadways lined with gravel with the exception of vehicles being utilized by GSCB staff for specific property or program needs.

Vehicles may be driven to units for unloading but should be moved to a main parking area after that. The main parking areas are: next to the maintenance barn at Camp Todd, Unicorn Meadow at Camp Grove Point, outside of the STEM Lodge at Camp Country Center, and at the flag pole at Sandy Pines. Some camp sites may have provisions for parking that must be coordinated with the Site Manager.

If you have individuals in your party that require special accommodations for accessibility, please contact your appropriate Camp Director.

Emergency Transportation

Unless attending a Council-sponsored event, all groups are required to provide their own emergency transportation. Please also be aware of the closest emergency room to the applicable camp.

Grove Point
Christiana Care Middletown Emergency
621 Middletown Odessa Road
Middletown, DE 19709
302-203-1300

Camp Todd
UM Shore Medical Center
219 S Washington Street
Easton, MD 21601
410-822-1000

ChoiceOne Urgent Care
8 Denton Plaza
Denton, MD 21629
443-606-2300

Camp Country Center
Christiana Hospital
4755 Ogletown Stanton Road
Newark, DE 19713
302-733-1000

Sandy Pines
Peninsula Regional Medical Center
100 E Carroll Street
Salisbury, MD 21801
410-546-6400

AED Availability

Automated external defibrillators are available in the event of emergency at all camp locations. AEDs should only be used by trained personnel.

Grove Point—Program Center next to the main bathrooms

Camp Todd—Program Center next to the Art Room door and Lakeview Lodge

Country Center—STEM Lodge in the Ranger's Office

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Emergency Care Personnel

All Girl Scout rentals groups are required to have one adult with a valid First Aid/CPR certification appropriate to the age level of the group. Non-Girl Scout rental groups are strongly encouraged to have an adult with a valid First Aid/CPR certification appropriate to the age level of the group, however non Girl Scout groups are not required to abide by this guideline with the acknowledgement that the group, and not Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay, assumes the risk inherent with not having emergency care personnel readily available.

Accidents and Illnesses on Camp Property

Camp properties come with inherent risks including insect bites, dehydration, exposure, sprained muscles, or broken bones. In an effort to mitigate risk while at camp, all rental groups are encouraged to note the location of First Aid kits when arriving on property and make note of the Emergency Transportation.

In the event that an accident or illness that requires professional medical care does occur, please contact your appropriate Camp Director immediately. Additional paperwork may be required.

Health Information

All Girl Scout groups are required to have health information for their participants including names, addresses, emergency contacts names and phone numbers, and a listing of known allergies or health conditions requiring treatment, restriction or other accommodations while on site.

Non Girl Scout groups are not required to have this health information for participants, but it is strongly recommended.

Risk Management

All camp properties are assessed annually for new or heightened risk variables. Any group, Girl Scout or non-Girl Scout, is encouraged to bring risk management concerns to the attention of the appropriate Camp Director.

Vehicle Insurance

All private vehicles that are parked on GSCB camp property are required to have the state minimum requirements for vehicle insurance. Proof of insurance may be requested by the Camp Director or Camp Ranger and should be readily available in the vehicle when staying on site.

Prohibited Items

No illegal drugs are permitted on GSCB camp properties at any time. Alcohol is not permitted at any event where Girl Scouts under the age of 18 are present. Alcohol may be permitted for adults only events with special permission from the Director of Outdoor Programs. Smoking and e-cigarettes are not permitted at any event

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where Girl Scouts under the age of 18 are present. Adults may smoke cigarettes or e-cigarettes around fire circles when no girls are present. All cigarette butts must be disposed of properly and not left in a fire circle or on the ground.

No personal sports equipment is permitted without special permission from the Director of Outdoor Programs. Personal sports equipment includes, but is not limited to, archery equipment, bats, hockey sticks, boats, climbing gear, or bicycles.

Pets or other animals are not permitted on GSCB property, unless they are functioning as a service animal. Full-time GSCB staff living on site may have pets but are required to provide health and immunization records for the animals.

Guns, knives, and other weapons are not permitted on GSCB property. Pocket knives are acceptable for adults or Girl Scouts who have completed appropriate training.

Cancellations or Refunds

If a reservation is cancelled four weeks prior to the scheduled visit, the group will receive either a refund or a transfer of payment to a future camp date. If the cancellation occurs less than four weeks prior to the camp date, only a transfer of payment to another camp date will be given. There will be no refund given if cancelled less than four weeks prior to camp date. Transfer of payment must be done within two weeks of the cancelled date. If future date is not determined within two weeks, the window to transfer is lost.

Any transfer of payment must be used within one calendar year from the date of the original reservation. Credits will not be carried over to future years.

Refunds are not available in the event that a group determines not to visit camp due to weather conditions or predictions. The only time refunds are available due to weather conditions or predictions are when GSCB closes properties and cancels reservations due to severe, life-threatening weather.

Services Provided by GSCB

Groups are responsible for transporting their own trash to dumpsters. Paper products such as toilet paper and paper towels, hand and dish soap, and trash bags are provided.

No transportation to and from the property is provided, nor is it provided while in the campsites.

Program areas must be reserved in addition to the rental of buildings in order to partake in activities. Activities that require the presence of a GSCB-approved facilitator include kayaking, canoeing, log-rolling, paddle boarding, zip-lining, climbing wall, low challenge course, archery, and swimming.

Additional Fees

GSCB reserves the right to bill rental groups, including Girl Scout groups, in the event that campsites are damaged or not properly cleaned after a rental. If the services of a private cleaning company are required, the rental group will be billed for the cost of the services. If repairs are required, the rental group will be billed for the cost of the repairs.

Swimming and Waterfront Activities

All rental groups are advised to provide a person who has a current certification as a lifeguard from a nationally recognized certifying body for any activities taking place at a swimming pool, lake, or other open bodies of water. For activities taking place in a lake or other open bodies of water, rental groups are advised to provide a person who has a current certification as a lifeguard from a nationally recognized certifying body that includes a waterfront component.

If you are providing your own aquatics personnel, not arranged through GSCB, a safety orientation is required before any aquatic activities take place. All participants must be oriented to weather restrictions, pool rules, watercraft regulations, navigation rules, diving restrictions, safety signals or commands, warning systems, behavior rules, and nonswimmer restrictions.

If you are providing your own aquatics personnel, not arranged through GSCB, the personnel are required to identify features and hazards of the aquatic area, location of emergency and rescue equipment, and the location of the nearest phone.

If you are providing your own aquatics personnel, not arranged through GSCB, it is recommended that a safety system be used, such as the buddy system, to account for swimmers and boaters.

If you are providing swim lessons, it is recommended that you provide a swim instructor with certification from a nationally recognized certifying body. In addition, if the instructor is in the water with participants, you are advised to have a lifeguard out of the water continuously watching over the activity.