

MAVERICK CAMPOREE

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

GATHER/FIRE ALARM: High-Low wavering siren.

ALL CLEAR ALARM: Separate High & Low Sounds

HARD COVER/FLASH FLOOD ALARM: Foghorn



WHEN GATHER/FIRE ALARM IS GIVEN:

- All participants proceed to campfire circle. Assemble by troops, Unit Leader take roll call.
- Wait for further instructions.
- Everyone remains until the “All Clear” signal is given, which is a short burst of siren.



FIRES

IF FOREST FIRE IS SPOTTED:

- Report location and size to Staff Member/Camp Ranger immediately.
- Use appropriate procedures to contain and fight fire if practical
- Stay on scene until Staff Member/Ranger arrives on site.
- If alarm sounds, follow procedures as described for that alarm.

IF STRUCTURAL FIRE IS SPOTTED:

- Report the fire to the nearest Staff Member/Ranger (send a runner if possible)
- Secure perimeter.
- Check for persons in building if possible (but do not enter).
- Response Personnel will arrive to fight fires as designated by Camp Ranger.
- If GATHER alarm sounds, follow procedures as described for that alarm.



MISSING PERSON:

- Check obvious areas first: tents, campsites, latrines, showers, camp store, dining hall, program areas, sign-out register, hike register, etc.
- Ask: Who saw the person last? Where/Which way was the person going? When did the person leave? Whom did the person leave with? What mood was the person in upon leaving? Angry, Homesick, Normal?
- Gather all information about person: height, weight, clothing, personal physical condition, area liked the most, last area seen, people last seen with, who friends are.
- Check personal gear to see what was taken.
- If not located, report missing person to Staff Member/Ranger



STORMS

HARD COVER/FLASH FLOOD WARNING: LONG BURST OF FOGHORN

ELECTRICAL STORMS:

- HARD COVER/FLASH FLOOD Alarm will sound.
- Ranger will alert staff that “Hard Cover” has been called.
- Everybody in camp will seek “Hard Cover” for shelter until the danger is passed
- Vacate and stay at least 8-10 feet away from all water features: creeks, streams, lake
- Do not cross any or stand on any bridges
- Stay away from open areas or on high hills, slopes, washes, or creek beds.
- Report any damage to the Camporee staff or Ranger.

FLASH FLOOD PROCEDURES:

- Follow all procedures for an Electrical Storm
- Ensure that you are 8-10 feet higher than the nearest creek bed/wash bottom.

- Campsites 10, 13 and 14 need to move to designated higher ground until the ALL-CLEAR alarm sounds.
 - Campsite 10 will go to Brown Sea Island (formerly Campsite 4).
 - Campsites 13 and 14 will go to Campsite 12.
 - Everyone will stay clear of East Webber Creek, West Webber Creek, and Webber Creek.
- No one should attempt to cross any creek.
- If the west side of camp is expected to be isolated for more than 4 hours, campsites 1 – 15 will be required to move to the dining hall and wait for further instructions.

Animal Encounters

General Wildlife & Habitat Stewardship-Preventative Safety Procedures

- Use the buddy system at all times – shower, latrine visits, etc.
- Keep campsites clean
- Keep food and anything with a potent smell out of your tent
- At night, hang food and anything with a potent smell in a bear bag at least 12' above the ground
- DO NOT feed the animals
- Don't mistake a passive animal as a sign of safety
- Never tease wildlife
- Leave *all* animals alone
- Stay away from dead animals and berry patches, they are an important food sources for bears
- Notify Camp Staff/Ranger of any encounters with Bears, Mountain Lions, Javelina, Rattlesnakes, Small Mammals, and Poisonous Insects
- NEVER remove wildlife from their natural habitat. Many of the animals (especially reptiles and amphibians) live in a very strict habitat and most likely will not survive if removed.

Wild Animal Encounters Safety Procedures

If a wild animal is found in camp, the following are steps to be followed to avoid serious injury and life-threatening disease:

- Make loud noises to try and drive off the animal.
- Make yourself look as big as you can by raising and waving your arms.
- Do not run after or corner the animal.
- If near a building, get inside closing all doors and windows.
- If you are cornered and cannot escape, roll your body into a ball shape to protect yourself.
- If a dangerous animal has been sighted in camp, unless fire restrictions are in effect, Camp Leadership may ask your group to maintain a campfire with an adult insuring that the fire is controlled.
- As soon as possible, report to Staff Member/Ranger with who, what, where, and when.

Wild Animal Bites-Reporting Procedures

- Seek medical treatment immediately
- Report any unusual or unnatural behaviors you may have observed by the animal
- Report the exact location of the bite
- Report any distinguishable marks on the animal
- Take note of the direction of travel the animal takes
- The more information you can give, the more helpful it will be in determining your treatment. This is especially important in the event that an animal is carrying rabies or some other disease.

FATAL ACCIDENT:

Notify Adult Camporee Staff/Ranger

Scout Leaders:

- Please help to keep your scouts out of the area.
- Be respectful and compliant of any instructions issued by camp staff at this time