

# 2021 SUMMER CAMP LEADER'S GUIDE



**Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch** 



# **Camp Cris Dobbins**

Updated as of 4/9/2021



# Welcome & Introductions

Thank you for choosing a Denver Area Council Camp for your 2021 summer adventures! This Leader's guide outlines the Denver Area Council Camps policies and information for Camp Cris Dobbins. A Program Guide will be released in early 2021. We hope this information in this guide is helpful in planning your adventure at Camp Cris Dobbins. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the members of the Denver Area Council's Camp Management Team.

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### Letter From the Ranch Director

Welcome to Summer Camp 2021!

I cannot express the excitement for this year's Summer Camp! I know last year did not go as planned due to the onset of COVID-19 at the beginning of the Summer. However, the Camp Management and I have been working around the clock to have ensure that this year's summer camp is nothing but fantastic. Some of the changes you will see is more cleaning & sanitization throughout the day at each facility as we will be keeping up and following with current safety guidelines from Elbert County and Colorado State.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you, this year's summer camp leader, not only for the work that you have done in the past and are doing now, but for all the effort that you will put in the Scouting program in the future. You are the people that make Scouting happen, and we couldn't run camp without you.

As with past years, this Leader's Guide is a work in progress. I have added and changed many things to make this guide better for leaders coming to camp, in a large part due to your valuable input. If you have any ideas that would make this guide more useful for you and your troop, please let me know. There will be updates made to this Leader's Guide as we prepare for the 2021 Summer Camp season and those updates can be found on the website as well as emailed to anyone currently registered.

I hope that the 2021 Summer Camp experience is the greatest camping adventure our Scouts have ever had!

Yours In Scouting,



Willie Rochester

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# About Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch

**Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch** is located in central Colorado, 65 miles southeast of Denver, a few miles south of the town of Elbert. The Ranch consists of 3,320 acres of mountain park terrain at 7,000 feet in elevation along the Palmer Divide in the Black Forest. Peaceful Valley is a working ranch with over 1,000 acres devoted to farming and grazing.

#### Scouts, BSA Programs

**Camp Cris Dobbins** is a 6-Day/5-Night traditional Scouts BSA Summer camp that provides a level of enthusiasm and Scouting spirit that can't be matched. With high quality merit badge instruction, scheduled Troop Time throughout the week and programs that will challenge any Scout's abilities, Camp Cris Dobbins is where the Scout Oath and Law come to life.



#### **Cub Scout Programs**

**Outdoor Scouting at Magness (O.S.M.)** is a 2-Day/1-Night introductory Cub Scout Resident Camp experience. OSM allows parents and youth to enjoy the beautiful scenery while having "fun with a purpose" all within a weekend.

Magness Adventure Camp (M.A.C.) is a 3-Day/2-Night traditional Cub Scout Resident Camp experience. MAC provides a fun, safe camping environment for scouts, families and activity groups alike. Shelters are equipped with hot showers and running potable water.

Webelos Extreme Scouting Trek (W.E.S.T.) is a 3-Day/2-Night NOT-YOUR-TRADITIONAL Cub Scout Resident Camp experience designed for Webelos and Arrow of Lights. Adults and youth will venture around the property learning & exploring new skills that will be useful at the Troop Level in the future.





#### Directions to Camp

- 1) Take I-25 south to Exit 184 (Founders Parkway near Castle Rock)
- 2) Turn left at stop light to Founders Parkway
- 3) Take Founders Parkway to traffic light (Highway 86 intersection)
- 4) Turn left at stop light onto Highway 86
- 5) Take Highway 86 through Franktown and traffic signal at Parker Road.

- 6) Continue down Highway 86 through Elizabeth, CO.
- 7) Continue on Highway 86 until you come to Elbert Road on your right (just before the town of Kiowa, CO).
- 8) Turn on Elbert Road and continue through the town of Elbert, CO.
- 9) Turn into Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch at the second entrance.
  - a. Dobbins is on the LEFT (Gate 1)



#### Follow the signs to check in at Camp Cris Dobbins



#### Contact Information

#### **By Phone**

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Main Camp Number:	303-648-3023
Main Fax Number:	303-648-3811
Council Service Center:	303-455-5522

The camp attempts to keep this phone attended from 7am-10pm every day. Please leave a message and it will be returned in a timely manner.

Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch is spread over 3,320 acres. While we will take messages for the Scouts and Scouters at our camps, they are generally not delivered until the next mealtime. We try to deliver emergency messages immediately, but this can still take up to an hour to deliver the message.

#### **By Email**

#### Peaceful.valley@scouting.org

Not intended for emergencies. Send an email message to your Scout, and it will be delivered daily. Please make sure to include the Scout Name and Troop number. Responses from the Scouts are not possible.

#### By Mail

Mail is delivered daily to the Scout Ranch and will be picked up and distributed by the troop's Scoutmaster.

Scouts should be encouraged to send postcards and letters home. Stamps and postcards are available at camp. Scouts can deposit mail at the headquarters building at the Magness Adventure Camp or at Cris Dobbins.

Parents are encouraged to write to their children while at camp. Be sure to mail early as it takes 4 or 5 days for mail to be delivered. Please include a return address on the mail so it can be returned if it doesn't make it in time.

#### Address for Camp:

Scout's Name, Troop Number or group name Camp (name of camp attending) Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch 22799 North Elbert Road, Box 97 Elbert, CO 80106-0097





## Camps & Fees

	Cris Dobbins
Youth	\$450
Adult	\$250
	Sun – Sat
Session 1	<del>Jun 6-12</del>
Session 2	Jun 13-19
Session 3	Jun 20-26
Session 4	Jun 27 – Jul 3
Session 5	<del>Jul 4-10</del>
Session 6	Jul 11-17

#### Campership

Request for camperships (a scholarship toward a Scout's camping fee) must be made in writing to the Council Camping Committee detailing why this particular Scout needs financial assistance. Please complete the Program Scholarship Application form, which is located at <u>https://www.denverboyscouts.org/dobbins/</u>. The Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America strongly believes "no youth shall be denied a program experience because of a lack of funds". However, every effort must be made by a Scout to earn their own way. All requests should be made prior to <u>April 15, 2021.</u> Scholarships cannot be given after attending camp. The campership is only for Scouts of the Denver Area Council.

#### **Payment Schedule**

The payment schedule is based on the Total Registration of the Unit. To reserve your Unit's Campsite – a \$250 Unit Deposit is required. Payments should be made through the registration website or coordinated through the Camping Department.

- \$250 Unit Deposit At time of Registration
- 25% of Total Registration Due January 1<sup>st</sup>
- 25% of Total Registration Due February 1<sup>st</sup>
- 25% of Total Registration Due March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Balance of Total Registration Due May 1<sup>st</sup>

#### **Cancellations & Refunds**

The Denver Area Council will refund 100% of paid camp fees if the camp cannot operate due to local, state, or federal policies preventing the operation of the camp. The Denver Area Council will also refund 100% of paid camp fees if local, state, or federal policies are preventing a Troop from traveling to camp. Individual camper fees may also be refunded if their immediate family is affected by COVID-19 and are unable to participate in the camp program.

All other cancellations will forfeit their \$250.00 deposit and are subject to the following guidelines:

- 31 days or more to check in: All paid fees less \$250.00 deposit
- 21 30 days before check-in: 50% refund
- 0 20 days prior to checking: 0% refund

Any cancellation made after 20-day before scheduled attendance of camp will not receive a refund unless documentation is provided by a medical doctor, or there has been a death in the family. All cancellations will be charged a processing fee of 5% of your total camp fees.

Only Scoutmaster's and camp contact may request refunds. Adding and/or removing individuals will follow the same refund policy. All refund requests should be submitted in writing to camping@denverboyscouts.org. All refunds are subject to Camping Director approval.

www.DenverBoyScout.org/Dobbins



# Camp Paperwork

Due to State of Colorado Child Care Facility requirements, all paperwork for youth and adult campers MUST be turned into the Council 11-days prior to the camper's arrival at the camping facility. <u>All</u> <u>medical forms are to be submitted through CampDoc. No paper copies will be accepted.</u>

Camp Session Start Date	Paperwork Due
Session 1: June 6 <sup>th</sup>	May 26 <sup>th</sup>
Session 2: June 13 <sup>th</sup>	June 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Session 3: June 20 <sup>th</sup>	June 9 <sup>th</sup>
Session 4: June 27 <sup>th</sup>	June 16 <sup>th</sup>
Session 5: July 4 <sup>th</sup>	June 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Session 6: July 11 <sup>th</sup>	July 1 <sup>st</sup>

#### Youth Campers – Each Camper Must have on file:

- □ BSA Medical Form; Parts A, B & C
- □ Copy of Insurance Card
- □ Colorado Addendum: Immunizations (Required for all youth)
- □ Colorado Addendum: Additional Information (Required for all youth)
- □ Colorado Addendum: Contract to Carry (for those that carry emergency medications)

#### Adult Campers – Each Camper Must have on file:

- BSA Medical Form; Parts A, B & C (for adults attending at least 72 hours total for the week)
- □ Copy of Insurance Card
- □ Respective Camp Adult Leader Reference Form (for Scouts, BSA Adults Only)
- □ Current Youth Protection Training Certificate

#### Unit Paperwork – Bring to Camp Check-In

- □ Swim Classification Records (Youth and Adults)
- □ Unit Roster (Youth and Adults)
- □ Method for payment for any outstanding balances



#### **Online Submission - CampDoc**

All medical forms are to be submitted through CampDoc. <u>No paper copies will be</u> <u>accepted</u>. Your unit will be contacted to set up accounts with Camp Doc. All medical forms are built into the system. No need to print and fill out! Additional non-CampDoc forms can be found at <u>www.DenverBoyScouts.org/Dobbins</u>

If you have questions or issues, please contact John Braselton, Camping Specialist john.braselton@scouting.org.

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# **Medical Information**

#### BSA Medical Form

All participants, youth & adults, attending Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch MUST have a completed BSA Medical Form. **This medical form is built into each CampDoc profile** or available at <u>National BSA Website</u> or at the Denver Area Council Office Headquarters. The medical form can be reproduced, but not altered in any way.

- Part A & B: Must be completed for every youth & adult.
- Part C: Must be completed for every youth & adult attending a total of 72 hours or longer. **This MUST be completed by a licensed health care provider** (M.D., D.O., N.P., or P.A.) before the participant attends any Scouting event, such as a summer camp, trek, or multiday excursion.

Adult leaders staying in camp 72 hours or more must complete Parts A, B & C. All other adult leaders need to complete Parts A & B. Any participant <u>WITHOUT A COMPLETED</u> BSA Medical Form <u>WILL NOT</u> be allowed to remain at camp and will be sent home. There will be no exceptions to this policy.

#### Colorado Addendum Medical Forms for Youth Participants

All youth participants must also submit the Colorado Addendum: Immunizations and Colorado Addendum: Additional Information. Youth that need to carry emergency medications such as an EpiPen or inhaler must also submit the Colorado Addendum: Contract to Carry signed by a doctor. **All of these forms are built into CampDoc.** 

#### Special Dietary Needs



All camps are willing to accommodate special diets for campers, whether for religious, medical, or philosophical reasons. If a camper or adult would like to request a special diet, please fill out the form on our website at <u>www.DenverBoyScouts.org/Dobbins</u> under the camp you are attending. If a camper has a dietary restriction, please make sure it is indicated on the person's medical form.

#### Emergency Medical Care

Every precaution is taken to insure a healthy and safe camping experience for all Scouts attending Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch. However, accidents and medical problems do occur. The Ranch operates a well-equipped medical lodge that is administered by the Ranch Health Officer. The Ranch Health staff will be responsible for treating all medical situations including OTC meds that will be dispensed if approved on the medical form. In the event of a medical emergency, the Health Staff is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In case of an emergency, the troop leadership should contact the nearest Leadership Team member for assistance. The Ranch Health Staff makes special arrangements with the local emergency medical service and are the only people authorized to contact them.

In the event of an injury or illness requiring immediate specialized medical attention, the care of your Scout will be turned over to the local emergency medical service, who may require the use of ground or air ambulance service at their discretion. The costs are the responsibility of the patient and family.







#### Medication

It is the primary responsibility of the Scout and their Scoutmaster to know when they should be taking their medication. The Ranch Health Staff will work with the Scoutmaster to ensure that Scouts are taking their medication.

Under Colorado Law, Scouts bringing any medication to camp must follow certain procedures.

- 1) All medications must be turned into the Ranch Health Staff except for few specific exceptions: inhalers, bee sting kits, etc. (with the Contract to Carry addendum).
- 2) Medication will be dispensed to the campers by the Ranch Health Staff during Camp.
- 3) All medications, "prescription" and "over-the-counter" must be in the original containers, marked with the Scout's name and troop number and original medication information. Do not cover up the information and instructions on the medication. Only send enough for the week. Do not send full prescriptions.
- Medication in pillboxes and non-original containers are considered contaminated and WILL NOT be accepted. Adults MUST keep their meds locked in a vehicle, trailer or in a lockbox in the tent. They cannot just be in a bag.

All Medication will be returned to the Scoutmaster during the Check-Out process at the end of Camp.

The Ranch Health staff will enforce the following policy regarding Scouts missing their medication:

- The first time the Scout misses their medication; they will receive a verbal warning from the Ranch Health staff. The Ranch Health staff understands that a new environment and situation can cause some confusion and will counsel the Scout as to the correct medication times and procedures. A note will be sent to the Scoutmaster/Camp Leader and emailed to the parent.
- 2) The second time the Scout misses their medication time, the Ranch Health staff will alert the Scout's Scoutmaster at the next available opportunity or scheduled mealtime. The Ranch Health staff, and the Scoutmaster together will counsel the Scout about the importance of taking their medication. An email is sent to the parent.
- 3) The third time the Scout misses their prescribed medication time will result in a call to the Scout's parents/guardians. The parents will have the opportunity to express the importance of taking the appropriate medications at the appropriate times.
- 4) After the Scout has missed four separate medication times, the Scoutmaster, with the support of the Camp Director and the Ranch Health staff, will call the Scout's parents/guardian again and insist that the Scout be sent home. This action is obviously a last resort but is critical to ensure the safety and well-being of the Scout as well as those around them.





# **Camp Policies**

#### Visitors at Camp

Due to the continuing concerns surrounding Covid-19, visitors will not be welcome throughout the week at camp. Even as



restrictions begin to lift and the situation appears to be improving, our goal is to create a bubble within camp each week and we do not want to risk the safety of participants and staff by including anyone who is not going to be with us for more than a day. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we try to maintain the safest camping experience for your troops this year.

#### **Family Night**

In a typical year, Camp Cris Dobbins would end each camping week with Family Night where units are welcome to invite relatives to camp for dinner. However, similar to our reasoning behind not allowing visitors, this year with our Covid restrictions and precautions we will **NOT** be hosting this event.

Again, we truly appreciate your cooperation and understanding, and we hope to resume this tradition in the future.

#### Vehicles at Camp

**Only one vehicle will be allowed on the service road to the campsite**. All other vehicles shall park at the camp's designated parking lot. Campers and motor homes are <u>NOT</u> allowed at camp. Vehicles should not be moved during the week. Please do not drive directly into your campsite. During the Check-In Process, each vehicle will be registered and given a parking tag for the week. This tag is to identify which vehicles belong on camp and will help with a vehicle inventory in case of an emergency.

**Rules of the Road** – The driving rules are below, and any violation of these may result in your permit being revoked and may result in fines (\$20/per ticket) to your unit.

- 1) Vehicles must stay on roadways and MAY NOT be driven directly into the campsite.
- 2) Each occupant of a vehicle **MUST** have a proper seat & use a seat belt.
- 3) Drivers of vehicles **MUST** be at least 18 years of age, with a current driver's license.
- 4) At all times Follow all posted speed limits & use caution for the safety of campers.
- 5) Scouts & leaders are prohibited from riding in the back of pickup trucks or trailers, riding on bumpers, top of vehicles, etc.

#### The maximum speed limit for vehicles on the Ranch is 15 miles per hour.

**Special Mobility Needs** – If you have a Scout or Adult with special mobility needs, a permit can be obtained to drive this individual to various activities on the Ranch. In order to receive a permit, you must have a state issued handicap placard or a doctor's note, **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Vehicles that have received a permit for a mobility need should only be used for the persons with that need (and a buddy if necessary, for YPT compliance). Please do not use this opportunity to drive other Scouts attending the same area.





Bicycles are allowed in camp for adult leaders, employees and camp provided bikes for Ranch programs. Scouts are **NOT** allowed to bring their own bikes – Bikes & helmets will be provided during specific Ranch Programs.

- > Helmets must be worn properly at all times with the chinstrap fastened.
- Bicycles are allowed on the service roads only no trail riding
- Please observe safe riding practices and be courteous to your fellow Scouts.
- Please bring a lock and use it.

#### Leaders Meetings Prior to Camp

Camp Leadership will be holding Leader's Meetings prior to camp. Meeting information will be emailed to the unit contact for summer camp. If you have any questions, as always, please contact any Management Team Member. Below are the 11-Day Meeting dates which will be hosted via Zoom. To registered for these dates – please visit <u>www.DenverBoyScouts.org/Dobbins</u>.

- ➢ June 3<sup>rd</sup> − Week 2
- June 10<sup>th</sup> Week 3
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Week 4
- ➢ July 1<sup>st</sup> − Week 6

#### Program Guide – As of April 9<sup>th</sup>

Camp Leadership has been working on several program plans to adequately adjust for COVID. Information will include what merit badges are being offered, troop activity time programs and other activities will work this year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and anticipated restrictions, **camp will look and feel different than in previous years. Please visit** <u>www.DenverBoyScouts.org/Dobbins</u> to view the most current Program Guide.

#### COVID-19 Update

Please see the COVID-19 Policies at the end of this document. The most up-to-date version will be maintained on the Dobbins website. <u>www.DenverBoyScouts.org/Dobbins</u>

#### Meals & Dining Hall

Due to COVID, meals at camp will be slightly different than past years at camp. We will have spaced out seating throughout the dining hall to allow for units to socially distance from other units eating. Units will need to arrive altogether so that groups do not mix. Units will be assigned certain tables to eat their meals throughout the week.





#### General Rules of the Ranch

The principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law are the guiding foundations of the Denver Area Council camp program. The following rules have been established for the health, safety, and protection of all Scouts and leaders attending camp.

- Uniforms: Campers are requested to wear full Field Uniforms to evening flags and dinner. Activity Uniforms or Scout-appropriate clothing is appropriate for breakfast and daytime activities.
- 2) Language: Verbal abuse, discriminatory or derogatory remarks, belittling, extreme sarcasm, and off-color conversation or jokes are not tolerated from youth or adults.
- 3) Discrimination: Facilities owned and operated by the Denver Area Council, BSA, are equal opportunity facilities that do not discriminate on basis of age, sex, color, race, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, national origin or religion. All participants shall observe this code while on property.



4) Harassment: The Denver Area Council Camps enforce a zerotolerance policy. This policy includes unwelcome sexual

advances, racial slurs, chastisement for religious or other beliefs, and any derogatory actions or comments. Any form of hazing, initiations, ridicule, or inappropriate teasing is prohibited. The consequence for any of these actions will result in but are not limited to immediate removal from camp property and involvement of local law enforcement.

- 5) **Discipline:** Adults must follow Youth Protection policies while at camp. At no time should a camper be denied a meal as a form of punishment.
- 6) The Denver Area Council reserves the right to remove any person from DAC property for violation of camp rules, DAC policies, BSA policies or local, state and federal laws. In some cases, local law enforcement may be contacted. All decisions are final, and no refunds will be granted.









#### Do Not Bring or Do at Camp:

- All firearms are to be left at home. The Ranch will provide rifles, shotguns, and ammunition at the shooting sports area. Under no circumstances should ammunition be brought to the Ranch. The Denver Area Council also has archery equipment; Scouts should leave their bows and arrows at home.
- Alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, and fireworks are not permitted in any Scout camp. Possession or use of them on Ranch property is cause for the person to be removed from camp. Use of illegal drugs will be reported to local authorities.
- 3) In accordance with a long-standing rule of no flames in tents, self-contained stoves and lanterns may be used, but not in tents. In accordance with Elbert County Fire policies, no open fires are allowed. Charcoal fires are allowed in approved containers with Leadership Team member supervision if allowed under Elbert County Burn Restrictions. Ranch Leadership Team personnel will provide areas for fire building instruction.
- 4) Adult leaders should support the attitude that young adults are better off without tobacco and do not allow the use of tobacco products. A "no smoking policy" is in effect on the Ranch, and we discourage smoking or chewing at all times while on Ranch -- YOU ARE THEIR EXAMPLE. Vaporizers are not allowed on property regardless of the contents within.
- 5) The use of liquid fuels for starting any type of fire is prohibited, including damp wood, charcoal, and ceremonial fires. Non-liquid charcoal starters are available for grilling and Dutch oven cooking.

#### About the Campsites:

- 1) Tents are on a wooden platform provided for all Campers. No cots are provided.
  - a. There is an ADA compliant campsite available upon registration of campsite.
  - b. Scouts can't be with adults including parents.
- 2) A pit-latrine is located near each campsite with hot showers.



- a. A schedule must be established to ensure that Youth & Adults must shower separately. This included males and females.
- b. Adults may shower in the Gilwell Hall, St. Joe's Shower House & the Gate's Pool Building.
- 3) Each unit and camper are responsible for taking care of camp equipment & facilities and leaving them better than they found. At the end of your stay, any damage to equipment or facilities will be charged to the unit(s) staying in that campsite. Charge amounts will be determined by the Camping Director or Ranch Superintendent.





Conservation & Leave No Trace (LNT)

Denver Area Council Camps strives to maintain the land we use by practicing these basic principles:

# The Outdoor Code

# As an American, I will do my best to

Be <u>C</u>lean in my outdoor manners, Be <u>C</u>areful with fire, Be <u>C</u>onsiderate in the outdoors, and Be <u>C</u>onservation-minded.

#### Leave No Trace

While at Camp, as well as in the backcountry, your unit will practice Leave No Trace principles.

- 1) Plan ahead and prepare.
- 2) Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
- 3) Dispose of waste properly.
- 4) Leave what you find.
- 5) Minimize campfire impact.
- 6) Respect Wildlife.
- 7) Be considerate of other visitors. Visit these websites for more info: www.LNT.org or www.treadlightly.org



Fires are strictly prohibited at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch.







#### Youth Protection



# It is required that all adults attending camp have taken the Youth Protection Training.

Colorado Law and BSA policy mandates that camp staff, adult volunteers and all other members of the Boy Scouts of America are mandatory reporters of suspected child abuse and neglect. Abuse can include adult on youth and youth on youth contact.

While we do not wish or anticipate any abuse to occur at camp, in rare instances it happens. Please follow the guidelines below. **You are a mandated reporter as a member of the Boy Scouts of America.** You must take the following steps. You **MAY NOT** designate someone else to do this for you. Child abuse or neglect suspicions can be from home (and noticed while at camp) or can occur at camp from adult on youth or youth on youth scenarios.

# If you suspect Child Abuse or Neglect at Summer Camp: Ensure that everyone is safe before doing anything Notify the Camp Director and/or Camp Ranger/Superintendent immediately Notify the local Elbert County Sheriff's Office. 303-621-2027 or 911 Notify the Colorado Department of Human Services. 844-CO-4-KIDS Notify the Boy Scouts of America SCOUTS FIRST Helpline. 844-726-8871

The Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America operates summer camping programs that are licensed by the Colorado Department of Human Services. The license indicates that the program has met the required standards for the operation of a childcare facility. The current license and most recent inspection are available for review in the camp office at both Camp Tahosa, Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch and the Council Service Center.

Additionally, if you would like to file a complaint about Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch (License #47810) as it relates to Colorado Child Care Facility regulations, please contact the Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Early Childhood at 303-866-4511.





## Safety & Weather

The Colorado weather can be highly variable. During the summer, most of the days are sunny with a frequent chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon. Since storms are common in the afternoons, it is important to watch the skies and *be prepared* with the appropriate weather-resistant gear. The temperatures can range from a high of 80-90 degrees during the day to 40-50 degrees or cooler at night.

Individuals are responsible for their own safety and well-being while attending Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch. Please follow the protocols below if one of these situations occur.

#### Severe Weather

There is a chance that you might experience severe weather such as high winds, rain, or lightning while attending camp. If one of these events should occur, follow these guidelines:

- Seek shelter in buildings or tents.
- Stay out of open areas.
- Stay off the lakes and out of the pool.

The Camp Staff will inform you of more specific safety precautions at each area. When in doubt, ask a camp Leadership Team member.

#### Tornado

In the event of a tornado, you will hear a continuously wavering siren (the "Shelter" siren). Report to Gilwell Hall. If you cannot, lie flat in the nearest ditch or depression. When you hear a steady siren (The "Evacuate Area" siren), report to Gilwell Hall and wait for instructions from the camp Leadership Team.

#### Fire

In case of fire, notify the camp Leadership Team immediately. They will provide you and your unit with more direction. The Ranch has procedures in place to contact & coordinate with the local fire department.

#### Lost Person

For a lost person, check their tent and surrounding campsite, including the shelter near the campsite. Then check their last known program area or location. If the person cannot be found, notify the camp Leadership Team immediately.

#### Dehydration

Symptoms of dehydration include nausea, light-headedness, headaches, dizziness, weakness, or muscle cramps. Suggested prevention is drinking plenty of water; at least 4 quarts throughout the day. Water stops should be scheduled, and all are encouraged to drink, even if they are not yet thirsty.





# **IN AN EMERGENCY** When you hear it. do it.

	LOCKOUT! SECURE THE PERIMETER!			
	RADIO/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT ONLY. NO SIREN.			
	Horses/Hikes/Cycling return to main camp area.			
	<ul> <li>Do not travel between camps.</li> </ul>			
Ŏ	<ul> <li>Nobody can leave the Ranch.</li> </ul>			
	Property gates are locked.			
Lockout	• Business as usual.			
	LOCKDOWN! RUN! HIDE! FIGHT!			
	SHORT WAVY SIREN. (Flat "Evacuate Area" siren for all clear, assemble)			
	If possible, attempt to move away from threat by running into woods with a buddy or small			
	groups.			
	• If running is not possible, find a place to hide. Lock doors, turn off lights, stay silent and out			
Lockdown	of sight.			
LOCKUOWII	<ul> <li>As a last resort and only if your life is in danger, do what you can to protect yourself.</li> </ul>			
	EVACUATE AREA! REPORT TO ASSEMBLY POINT!			
	FLAT LONG SIREN.			
	Gather nearest personal belongings.			
AMMIN	<ul> <li>Report to the McKenzie's Range. If unavailable, secondary location: Lake.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>STAY OFF THE ROADS. USE TRAILS.</li> </ul>			
	<ul><li>Group with unit.</li></ul>			
Evacuate	<ul> <li>Remain silent and follow directions.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>UNIT LEADER take roll of unit, report using card system.</li> </ul>			
	• ONTI LEADER take for of unit, report using card system.			
	SHELTER!			
	TORNADO - LONG WAVY SIREN –Flat "Evacuate Area Siren" for all clear – report to Gilwell			
	Hall if not there.			
	Report to Camp Shelter (Gilwell Hall) if possible. Use trails. STAY OFF ROADS.			
	<ul> <li>Group with troop, await further instructions.</li> </ul>			
	IF CANNOT MAKE IT TO SHELTED. Lie flat in a ditch on depression. Depart to Cilwell			
Shelter	Hall when it is safe to do so.			
	HEAVY RAIN/HAIL – <i>RADIO/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT – No Siren.</i>			
	Take shelter in nearest building or tents. Stay inside, or under cover.			
	• Do not walk in open areas.			
	LIGHTNING/THUNDER STORM - RADIO/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT – No Siren.			
	Take shelter in nearest building. Stay inside, or under cover.			
	<ul> <li>Do not walk in open areas – Horses return to main camp area.</li> </ul>			
	Stay away of pool and lakes.			





#### **CAMPSITE SHOWER SCHEDULE**

#### All members of the campsite must abide by the shower schedule to comply with Youth Protection policies. Remember to take a quick "conservation shower". Get in, get wet, soap up, rinse off, get out.

Day	Time	Who? (Youth or Adults or by Patrol)









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