Policies and Procedures for Year Round Camping on Rainbow Council Scout Properties

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Introduction

The objective of the Council properties, Rainbow Scout Reservation and camp Theakiki, is to bring the program and benefits of scouting to as many youth as possible. To that end this guide has been prepared describing the facilities at the Rainbow Council properties and the associated fees and requirements. The intent of the fee structure is to provide for the ongoing maintenance and operation of the facilities.

Rainbow Scout Reservation (RSR) is a 754 acre preserve located in Grundy County, IL approximately 7 miles southeast of Morris and 25 miles southwest of Joliet. The camp has been in service since 1968 and contains a variety of terrain including prairie remnants, lakes wooded river bottoms, soft and hard woods, and rugged topography. The reservation provides great outdoor opportunities for individual units, district, council, and outsider groups. It is located close to Goose Lake Prairie State Park, the Desplanes Conservation Area and the L& M Canal Trail

Water: Water is available throughout the camp on a seasonal basis. During

cold weather months (October to April) water can be obtained at the

First Aid Building.

Telephone: A pay telephone is located on the porch of the Trading Post.

Dumpster: A dumpster, for camp use, is located near the parking lot.

Hiking Trails: There is a network of hiking trails throughout the 754-acre camp.

Boating: With three lakes there is plenty of opportunities for canoeing and

rowing. Portage trails connect the lakes.

Fishing: All three lakes and the Mazon River offer great fishing. All users

must adhere to Illinois State fishing regulations.

Camping: There are 12 established sites on the main side of the reservation as

well as several remote areas for camping.

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Facilities

Dining Hall

Capacity: 175 for meetings, 168 for meals including 48 on the screened porch. This building is a great place to hold large meetings or training sessions. Can also be used in conjunction with the kitchen for meal service. The dining hall is available for day and evening use.

Kitchen

Capacity: N/A

The kitchen is only open from mid April to Mid October. The fee for the Kitchen includes the use of the Dining Hall as well as garbage can liners and cleaning supplies. Rainbow Council requires that a certified food handler be present any time the kitchen is in operation. Proof of Illinois State certification (supplied be provided with permit request) will be required 30 days prior to kitchen use. A certified food handler can be provided for any group unable to provide there own.

Activity Shelter

Capacity: 75

An open-air shelter great for any activity if you want to be under cover but still enjoy the outdoors. The shelter has electrical and water service to it.

Ecology and Conservation Center

Capacity: 20 not to exceed 9 upstairs

The main floor is dedicated to ecology exhibits and tools to complete ecology requirements. The upstairs of this building is a great location for small meetings, training sessions or any activity that is best suited for indoors. This building is not heated; water and restroom facilities are located nearby.

Ralph Brtva Training Center

Capacity: 50

The primary training facility on camp. Includes a TV with VCR and dry erase boards. A great location for a Camporee Headquarters or meetings. All training functions have priority for use of this facility. Youth training has top priority. The building is available for day and evening use. For general use the Brvta Training Center is rented on an hourly or daily basis.

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Rifle Range

Capacity: 16 shooting positions.

The range was reconstructed in 2001-2002. The range can be set up for both .22 caliber rifles and BB guns. Excellent for working on Shooting Sports merit badge or testing scouts shooting skills. Can also be used for Black Powder Shooting. A certified range instructor (see scout executive) must be present at all times when range is in use. Proof of certification is required (with permit application) 30 days prior to the event. Guns and ammo are not included. Personal guns and ammo must be approved by Rainbow Council Scout Executive or designee.

Archery Range

Capacity: 5 shooting positions.

The range can be set up for both Boy and Cub Scouts. Excellent for working on archery merit badge or testing scouts shooting skills and teaching bow safety. A certified range instructor must be present at all times when range is in use. Proof of certification (see scout executive) is required (with permit application) 30 days prior to the event. Bows and arrows are not included. Personal bows and arrows must be approved by Rainbow Council Scout Executive or designee.

Wiekert Amphitheater

Capacity: 700

Looking over Long Lake this amphitheater is a beautiful location for any ceremony or campfire. Sound and lighting can be arranged, please provide 30 days notice (with permit application).

Rappelling\Climbing Tower

Capacity:

This 30-ft. tower will challenge young and old alike. Great for climbing and repelling introduction and working on the merit badge. The tower is operated under the requirements of Topping Out and Safe Scouting. The tower must be operated under the direction of a Rainbow Council COPE/Climbing Committee approved staff. This activity must be scheduled 30 days (with permit application) in advance. Availability may be affected by other activities going on concurrently.

Beaver Bay Shelters Adirondacks

Capacity: 16

These are three sided roofed buildings with eight bunks each. They can be reached by hiking or boat. Water must be brought year round to this remote location. Water is not available.

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Campsites

Capacity: 12 established sites on the main side of camp capacity variable.

The twelve campsites in the main side of camp offer a wide variety in camping experiences for camping in a pine forest to hard wood forest to open areas camping. Site latrines were rebuilt in 2000-2001 running water is available from approximately May to late September. Equipment trailers are permitted at the site as long as road conditions permit. Campers and camping in trailers is not permitted. Additional sites located on the backside offer more rustic conditions. Primitive sites are located near Aqua and Boundary Lakes.

COPE Course

COPE stands for <u>Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience</u>. The program is designed to build teamwork, self-reliance, and esteem through the use of different outdoor challenges. Rainbow Council has a Low COPE Course available for use. The course must be operated under the direction of a Rainbow Council COPE/Climbing Committee approved staff. This activity must be scheduled 30 days in advance (must be submitted with permit).

Waterfront

Rainbow Council has three lakes suitable for waterfront activities. Long Lake has a developed waterfront that includes swimming, boating, kayaking, and canoeing. Aqua and Boundary lakes do not have set facilities but can be used for swimming or boating. Canoes, rowboats, and kayaks are available for unit use. All use of the waterfront is done under the requirements of Safe Scouting. Units may conduct a unit swim under the requirements of Safe Swim Defense or a boating activity using Safety Afloat. A list of BSA lifeguards is available through the council with 30 days notice.

Non-scouting groups can also use this area provided the requirements of Safe Scouting are fulfilled.

Rainbow Scout Reservations' Available Equipment

Dining Flies Cook Kits
Dutch Ovens Canoes

Row Boats Canoe Trailer with 6 canoes Additional equipment is available upon request.

All watercraft come equipped with paddles or oars and PFDs. Verification of Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense certification is required. The council can supply a list of certified BSA Lifeguards available to support activities. A reservation for aquatic equipment is necessary 30 days in advance. A float plan must be supplied when equipment is picked up/checked out.

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Rules

Follow the *Guide to Safe Scouting*, Scout Law, BSA Policies, Campmaster Rules, and Common Sense.

A group or multi-unit event involves more than 3 units or 50 participants.

Permit:

A camp use permit is required to be prepared and on file with RCSR 10 days prior to your arrival. If your unit is planning to use specific equipment the permit must be on file at least 10 days in advance (Special requests and some activities require 30 days). Reservation and Equipment use request is based on a first come first serve basis (time of permit). Early reservations help to insure selection and preparation before your visit.

For group events, a permit is required at least two months in advance, and a detailed event plan is requested.

Fees:

The Camp Ranger, Campmaster, or Council Office will collect all use fees. For groups, 1/2 of the fee is due 10 days in advance. All fees must be paid in full at check-in.

For group events, the Ranger or Campmaster will confirm billing before you leave. All fees must be paid to Rainbow Council and are collected by the Council Office. Payment must be arranged prior to arrival at camp.

Use fees may be waved or reduced for events by application to the Council Camping Committee.

Emergency Plan and Handling On Site Emergencies:

The Rainbow Council has an emergency siren that can be activated by the Campmaster. A single intermittent sound is the call for site assembly at the Flag grounds.

Groups must develop and communicate the Emergency Plan above to all participants prior to going to their sites or activities.

The site First Aid cabin may be used.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS:

Council Office: 815-942-4450

Ranger: 815-942-1793

Camp Office: 815-942-1793

Arrival:

Upon arrival at camp, please check in briefly with the Ranger or Campmaster. Fees will be collected, program opportunities discussed and campsite assigned. Please call if you will be delayed or must cancel your outing.

Campsites:

Campsites are assigned based on availability, the size of your group, and work projects going on in camp. Request for specific campsites will be honored when possible.

Vehicles and Trailers:

Camp service roads are rugged in nature and use is limited. When conditions allow and also when a Vehicle & Trailer permit application has been completed, **one** vehicle per unit may be driven to sites for loading and unloading gear. Check with Campmaster upon arrival. Vehicles without a permit is restricted to the main parking lot **only**.

Any vehicle used beyond the parking lot must have a vehicle permit. It can be used to drop a trailer at the campsite or to drop off equipment. The camp speed is 5MPH; hazard flashers must be used at all times. THE VEHICLE MUST BE RETURNED TO THE MAIN PARKING LOT immediately after dropping off equipment or the unit trailer

Privacy:

Each unit deserves privacy. Please stay out of other campsites unless invited. Quiet time is observed from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Prohibited Materials:

Absolutely NO alcoholic beverages, illicit materials illegal drugs, firearms, bows, arrows, sheath knives, chainsaws, fireworks, or loud radios are allowed.

Fires:

Fires shall be tended at all times. Ground fires are by permit and only in designated fire areas. BSA liquid fuels policies must be adhered to.

Firewood:

Downed wood may be gathered as firewood.

Tree Cutting:

No live trees are to be cut at any time with out prior approval of by the Scout Executive or designee.

Check-out:

Weekend Check out time is 2 p.m. Sunday. Please check out with the Campmaster, who will inspect your site. Stack wood for the next campers. Clean up all litter. Return camp equipment. leave your campsite better than you found it.

Chain saws:

The use of chain saws is only permitted for specific work projects generally associated with Beaver Days. The Scout Executive or designee must approve use of a chain saw. Approvals will be for a specific use.

Supervision:

All units must have a constant adult supervision at all times. *The Guide to Safe Scouting* rule of a minimum of two leaders for any Scouting outing applies to all units and groups using our properties. Please inform the Camp master on duty if any leader will need to leave the camp property during an activity.

Camp Theakiki:

The other Rainbow Council camp is located 15 miles southeast of Kankakee. Units are required to bring in their own water. An activity shelter, fire ring, and two sleeping shelters are available for unit or group activities. This is a great location for unit and group activities.

Camp Theakiki Shelters:

Capacity: 16

These are three sided roofed buildings with eight bunks each. Great for camping when you don't want to mess with tents. Water must be brought year round to this remote location.

Activity Shelter:

Capacity: 50

There are two three sided buildings.

Camp Fire Ring:

Capacity: 200

A traditional Boy Scout camp fire ring. A great location to hold a unit or group camp fire and bring any event to a wonderful close.

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Camp Theakiki Rules

All Rainbow Council Camp Rules Apply. Follow the Scout Law, BSA Policy and Common Sense.

A detailed listing is available. Here are the basics.

Arrival:

As arranged.

Campsites:

Campsites are on a first come first served basses.

Courtesy:

Each unit deserves privacy. Please stay out of other campsites unless invited. Quiet time is observed from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Prohibited Materials:

Absolutely NO alcoholic beverages, illicit materials illegal drugs, firearms, bows, arrows, sheath knives, chainsaws, fireworks, or loud

radios are allowed.

Fires:

Fires shall be tended at all times. Ground fires are permitted only in designated fire areas. Liquid fuels may not be used for starting any type of fire. Propane and Coleman fuel must be used under direct

adult supervision and kept locked when not in use.

Tree Cutting:

No live trees are to be cut at any time with out prior approval of by the

Scout Executive or designee.

Firewood:

Downed wood may be gathered as firewood.

Check-out:

Check out time is 2 p.m. Sunday. Stack wood for the next campers. Clean up all litter. Leave your campsite better than you found it.

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Supervision:

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Trash:

All refuse must be taken out of camp, Carry in - Carry out.

Rainbow Scout Reservation

Camping Facility and Equipment Rental Fees – Out of Council

Camping Facility and Equipment Rental Fees - Community Groups

Facility	Fees Per Day	Fees Per Weekend	Misc.
Dining Hall Kitchen*(includes Dining Hall) Kitchen with Certified Food Handler Activity Shelter w/electricity Ecology/Conservation	\$75.00 \$150.00 + deposit \$200.00 + deposit \$20.00		\$50 refundable cleaning deposit \$100 refundable cleaning deposit \$100 refundable cleaning deposit
upstairs only Brtva Training Center Rifle Range *** Archery Range ***	\$30.00 \$20/3hr \$50/day \$65.00 \$40.00	\$50.00 \$100	
Fire Ring w/lights and sound****	Free \$150 per event	Free	
Beaver Bay Adirondacks Climbing and Repelling Tower**	\$15.00 \$12 per person	\$30.00	
Council supplied instructor Low COPE Course Director and Instructor required	\$75 \$15 per person		Groups larger then 40 negotiable
High COPE Course			Fees under development at time of Council Approval 6/02.
Council supplied staff Camp Theakiki Adirondacks	\$150 per half day \$15.00	\$30.00	Director + Instructor required
Camp Theakiki Activity Shelter	\$15.00	\$30.00	
Equipment Dining Fly Cook Kits Dutch Oven	\$5.00 \$12.00 + deposit \$7.00 + deposit	\$10.00 \$12.00 \$7.00	\$20 refundable cleaning deposit \$5 refundable cleaning deposit
Canoe w/3 paddles and PFDs Row Boat w/oars and 3 PFDs Off Camp Canoe Rental Includes trailer 6 canoes 18 paddles and 12-18 PFDs	\$7.00 \$7.00	\$14.00 \$14.00 \$90.00 for 42 hours	
Parking Lot	Free	Free	trailers in site free

Use Fee 1.0 per person 2.00

Proof of certification will be required prior to any group being approved for kitchen use.

All deposits and building rentals are required to be paid Prior to arrival. Day or weekend fee and are required to be paid before use.

^{1.} Event director and instructor must be approved by Rainbow Council

^{*}Rainbow Council requires that a certified food handler be present any time the kitchen is in operation.

^{**}Fee includes instructor's fees and equipment.

^{***}A certified instructor must be present for range operations.

^{****}Fee includes technician's fees.

Group Activities

Group activities are always welcome at both Rainbow Council Scout Reservation and Camp Theakiki. Large group activities may be required to make a deposit to reserve facilities. Contact the Camp Ranger at 815-942-1793 for more details.

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Permit #	
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RAINBOW SCOUT RESERVATION Camping Application

Please submit at least 10 days prior to date of arrival. Submit Camporee,, Group, Climbing, and COPE applications at least 30 days prior to date of arrival. Later request may not be accepted and a \$20.00 late fee will apply

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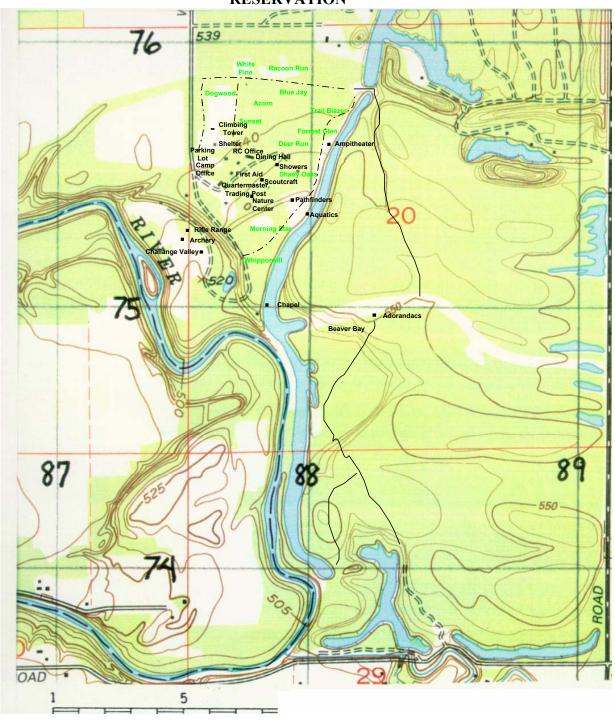
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May be locally reproduced. **Vehicle & Trailer Permit Application** DATE of Activity/use ____ Unit Vehicle : Make _____ Model ____ Year ____ License Plate Number : State: Insurance Company Policy Number: _____/_ Liability Limits ____/_ (Must be at least 100,000/300,000/100,000) Owner of Vehicle: _____ Will a trailer be brought into camp with vehicle? **Driver License Number:** _____ (yes or no) TRAILER INFORMATION Owner of Trailer: _____ Trailer Make _____ Model ____ Year ____ License Plate Number : State: Any vehicle used beyond the parking lot must have a vehicle permit. The permit allows one vehicle to be used to drop off equipment and or trailer at the camp site. The vehicle must return to the parking lot immediately after dropping off equipment or trailer to the main parking lot. THE CAMP SPEED LIMIT IS 5 MPR! HAZARD FLASHER MUST BE USED AT ALL TIMES. Seat belts must be worn beyond the parking lot. Vehicles in site are a fire hazard that may undermine the safety of the quests using the reservation property. All the information above is correct and I understand the expected use of this permit and will obey the speed limit and use of hazard lights while in use of vehicle. I also understand that the condition of the road upon my arrival may not allow the use of this permit.

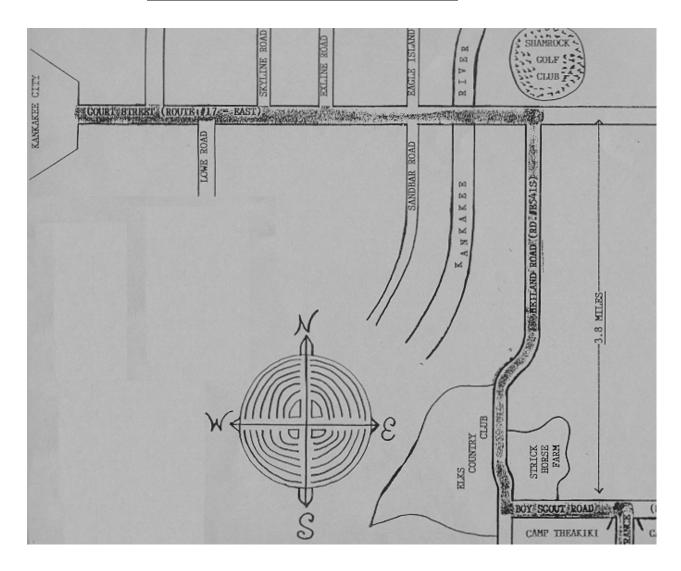
Applicant: Date:

RAINBOW SCOUT RESERVATION



RAINBOW SCOUT RESERVATION MAIN CAMP White Pine Racoon Run To Beaver Bay And Camp Boundery Blue Jay Sunset \mathbf{RC} Deer Run AS Parking Lot □ co CCShady Oaks Shooting Sports **Morning Star** Legend CSC-Council Service Center Waterfront CO-Camp Office CR-Camp Ranger TC-Ralph Brtva Training Center TC-Ralph Briva Trai DH-Dining Hall TP-Trading Post QM-Quartermaster CC-Cooks Cabin FA-First Aide FA-First Aide AS-Activity Shelter RC-Repelling Climbing Tower SH-Shower House CH-Change House CA-Chaple PS-Poleshed WT-Water Tower FC-Fcology and Conservation Center SC-Scout Craft VB-Volleyball Court CV-Challenge Valley PA-Pienie Shelter Trails Access Roads Whippoorwill RIVER -Camp Sites

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP THEAKIKI



Take Rt. #17 eat to Heiland Road. Stay on Hiland Road approximatly 3.8 miles, then turn left at Strick Horse Farm whick is Rd. #S218E, or Boy Scout Road. GO about one block to the camp entrance.

DIRECTIONS TO RCSR



FROM Interstate-55: at the Kankakee River Bridge, exit onto Lorenzo Road (Exit #240) and proceed west for 7.8 miles. About 1/2 mile past the entrance to the Collins Power Station, turn left on to Winterbottom Road. You will be traveling south on Winterbottom Road for about 1 1/3 miles. Winterbottom ends at the entrance to camp.

FROM Illinois Route 47: south of Morris and approximately half a mile south of the Illinois River, turn left to go east on Pine Bluff Road. Just south of Collins Power Station; turn right to go south on Winterottom Road. Winterbottom ends at the camp.