

CUB SCOUT OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND OVERNIGHT PACK CAMPING

Cub Scouts are encouraged to enjoy a variety of outdoor experiences. Tiger Cubs and Cub Scouts are introduced to the outdoors through den and pack activities and advancement and elective requirements.

- Tiger Cubs may participate in boy-parent excursions, day camps, pack overnights, or council-organized family camping.
 - Wolf, Bear, and Webelos Scouts may participate in a resident overnight camping program.
1. **Family camps** are council-sponsored overnight events involving more than one pack. The local council provides all of the elements, including trained leadership. In all cases, each youth is responsible to a specific adult.
 2. **Pack overnights** are pack-organized overnight events involving more than one family from a single pack, focused on age appropriate activities, and conducted at council approved locations (*Guide* p. 20). If siblings participate, the event must be structured to accommodate them. **Overnight camping by Tiger, Wolf, and Bear dens as DENS, is not approved.**
 3. **Health and safety** must be one of the first considerations in planning any outdoor activity. Try to anticipate and eliminate hazards. Most accidents can be prevented.
 - Secure a Class 1 Personal Health and Medical History (34414) on all youth and adults who will attend the campout.
 - A Local Tour Permit is required for all overnight trips and for all activities outside Tooele County, Summit County, Salt Lake County, and Davis County areas.
 - Parent's Approval. Use the Informed Consent Agreement, CSLB p. 34-38.
 - Supervision. Every boy should have someone he knows watching out for him. If a parent cannot attend, the boy's family must make arrangements for one of the other parents attending, or for another adult relative or friend, to be a substitute at the overnights.
 - BALOO Training. Adults giving leadership to a pack overnights must complete Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation, referred to as BALOO Training.
 - Shooting Sports are not permitted at pack campouts.
 - Age guidelines. If a well-meaning leader brings along a child who does not meet the age guidelines, disservice is done to the unit because of distractions often caused by younger children. A disservice is also done to the child who is not trained to participate in such an activity and may be ignored by the older campers.

Resources: *Cub Scout Leader Book*, 2006 p. 32-2; 33-4, 5, 6, 7; 34-38, 39; & Ch. 13, 14
Guide to Safe Scouting, 2006 Ch. 3 p.19, 20