



TROOP 469 – CAMPOUTS



GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Troop 469 usually schedules a campout once a month during the months of August through June.
- Costs – each scout will pay an announced amount for food (*usually \$15*), transportation (*depends on destination*) and camp site fees, if appropriate.
 - Food and Camp site (*if, applicable*) fees are collected at the Monday Troop Meeting for Campout Planning.
 - Transportation fee is collected on Friday before departure.
- The troop will provide the following gear: tents with ground clothes, chuck boxes (*special box with all the necessary cooking gear*), stoves with propane accessories, tables, canopies, dry boxes (*to store dry food goods*), dutch ovens, charcoal chimneys, etc.
- A Scout is responsible for his personal gear (*see personal gear list*) and medication
- Another website for a gear list: www.scoutlists.com
- If campout schedule changes you will be notified immediately.

MONTHLY CAMPOUT PREPARATION:

Monday – Campout Planning:

- **Attendance** - Scouts attending camp will form in a patrol (*existing patrols will combine if necessary*)
- **Youth Leadership** - Assign a youth leadership for the campout, if necessary (*Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leaders, Troop Quartermaster, Patrol Quartermasters, Patrol Grubmasters, etc.*)
- **Patrols Assignments** - will decide on the following (*worksheets are provided by the Troop*):
 - Patrol Leader – Duty Roster
 - Grubmaster – Menu with Shopping List, Collect food money and Troop dry box (*use personal cooler for perishable food items*)
 - Recommended to shop on Thursday night, in case the campout plans change.
 - Patrol Quartermaster – Coordinate with Patrol and Troop Quartermaster the gear needed for your patrol
- **Permission slip** – need parents signature (*turn in on Monday or Friday before departure*)
- Take note of any additional campout fees and personal gear needed.
- **Notify the Scoutmaster, Senior Patrol Leader and Patrol Leader immediately if your plans change for the campout.**

Friday Night:

Before Arrival

- Eat dinner before arrival

Arrival

- Meet – Troop 469 at the Scout building at designated time (*usually by 5:30pm*)
- Uniform – Modified Field with Troop t-shirt underneath.
- Scout – brings signed permission slip, transportation fee, campout fee (*if any*), personal gear, and medicine in original container, if needed.

- Troop – loads trailer, lines up for head count by patrol, assigns transportation groups, and conducts prayer.
- Patrol Grubmaster – Food Supply:
 - Patrol cooler with plenty of ice to keep food cold (*monitor ice during campout on a regular basis*). Mark cooler with Patrol name.
 - Patrol dry box with other food – grocery sacks do not work.

Campout Arrival:

- The minute you arrive at the campout – you must **listen** to your **SENIOR PATROL LEADER**.
- SPL will give instructions:
 - When and Where to set up the Troop/Patrol Camp site
 - When and Where to set up your tents
 - When to store personal gear in tents
- The adult leaders will be responsible for all propane connections to lanterns and stoves.



Troop 469 - Campout Rules

The Troop rules are the Boy Scout Oath and the Law.

Troop 469 has several additional rules for campouts:

- Charcoal **ALWAYS** is started in the Mr. Chimney with newspaper or placed over a stove.
- Specific medical attention should be written down on the medical form and explained to the Scoutmaster.
- **ALWAYS** tell the adult leaders if you want to leave camp. Never leave the camp site without permission.
- Battery operated lanterns **ONLY** are allowed in the tents
- All burning wood is to remain in the fire. Don't take burning sticks out and play with them.
- Boys **ALWAYS** take showers by themselves. Adult male leaders will escort the boys to the shower house and then escort them back to camp. Adults shower separately from the boys.
- **ALWAYS** keep trash, litter and food scrapes cleaned up around campsite.
- **NO** fighting.
- **NO** throwing objects.
- **NO** bare feet in camp.
- **NO** running in camp.
- **NO** sheath knives.
- **NO** food and coolers allowed in tents
- **NO** spraying insect repellent inside the tent (*the gases breakdown the water-repellant coating on the tent*)
- **NO ONE**, not even a parent, may pick up a scout during a campout without the knowledge of the Scoutmaster. The Troop will not depart a campout without a correct head count.

BSA policy:

- Prohibits:
 - The use of Liquid Fuel (*such as Coleman Fuel, charcoal starter fuel, cigarette lighters, etc.*). Butane lighters are acceptable.
 - The use of cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco or any tobacco products in or around a Scout. (*usually a designated area is assigned*)
 - Alcohol and drugs (*prescription medicines in its original container are allowed and should be listed on the medical forms*)
- Use the "Buddy System". Always go places with a buddy.
- Adults sleep in separate tents from the scouts. Scouts are recommended to share tents.
- Scout must have earned and be provided with a "Totin' Chip" card to be able to carry a knife. Misuse of the safety rules means that your "Totin' Chip" card is revoked and your knife is taken away for the campout.

Normally there are 2 warning for rule violations or for general discipline, although that may not always be the case depending on the severity of the action.

- After the first violation, there will be a discussion of the rule, why we have it and a warning.
- If there is a second violation, there will be further discussion of the rule, a job to do, a very stern 2nd warning and explanation of consequences of a 3rd violation.
- If there is a 3rd violation, **The boy's parents will be called to come pick him up.**



Camping Gear Checklist

****LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH NAMES AND/OR INITIALS****

PERSONAL GEAR		
EQUIPMENT:		
Sleeping bag		Keep in a day pack
Pillow		Water bottle
Sleeping mat		Pocket knife (<i>with Totin' Chip card</i>)
Extra blanket or sheet		Flashlight (<i>extra batteries</i>)
Camping chair		Personal First Aid kit
Rope with clothes pins		Compass
Lantern (<i>battery operated for inside tent</i>)		Watch
Mess kit		Camera (<i>disposables work great</i>)
Deck of playing cards		Rain poncho or rain gear
		Scout handbook, pens/pencils (<i>place in plastic zipped baggie</i>)
		Sunscreen
		Lip balm (<i>chapstick</i>)
		Insect repellent (<i>non-aerosol ONLY</i>)
CLOTHES:		TOILETRIES:
Activity Uniform or Uniform of the Day		Towel (<i>bath and hand towels</i>)
With Extra clothing (<i>weather appropriate</i>)		Shampoo & soap
<i>pants/shorts</i>		Hairbrush
<i>shirts</i>		Toothpaste & toothbrush
<i>socks</i>		Toilet paper
<i>underwear</i>		
<i>closed toed shoes, shower sandals</i>		
Sleeping clothes (<i>weather appropriate</i>)		
Bandana or large handkerchief		
Jackets when appropriate		
Troop hat or other head gear		
Dirty clothes bag		
Other:		
PROHIBITED ITEMS:		
NO electronic devices (<i>adults will carry cell phones</i>)		