

Camp Lewis Weekend Camping Guide



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Welcome & What are we doing here?

Welcome to camp! We are glad you are planning to spend some quality time enjoying our camp! In this very unusual time, we have done our best to provide Scouts in our Cascade Pacific Council time in the outdoors to be refreshed safely. You'll have more elbow room, a cover dining area, and outhouse designated for your cohort. Enjoy your stay as you hike, learn Scout skills, and explore camp.

Please see www.cpcbsa.org/COVID for weekend unit camping COVID guidelines.



Check In/Out: What to Expect

Units are expected to Check in and Out on their own. Occasionally a Camp Master may check in and see if you have any unmet needs.

- **Vehicles:** No campsite parking: At most camps you can park ONE car (not trailer) at or near your campsite in an area marked for you. But at Camp Lewis, back your car in to parking spot in either parking lots. You will still have to walk your gear in a short way as our camps, but here we are not designed as car camps. Have Scouts pack to hike their own gear into camp.
- **Check out.** It is important that you take your trash out when leaving and check your site so it is ready for the next campers. Please bring cleaning supplies for wash stands and outhouses. Leave camp much better than you found it.
- **Check out Check List**
 - All fires out way out.
 - All individual and unit gear is loaded up.
 - Patrol campsite and common areas and clean up litter.
 - Sweep and clean all outhouses, adirondacs, and common areas.
 - Make list of any hazards or maintenance needs.
 - Email hazard list, Roster, and maintenance needs to 492.Volunteerservices@scouting.org.
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Facilities/Amenities

Your dining area, washstand, outhouse and sleeping space will have been disinfected prior to your arrival. **Please do not use any sleeping spaces or other facilities not assigned to your cohort as they are being rotated for use by others.**

Your Campsite:

Sleeping Space: Individual Scouts must sleep in their own tent, mini-deck, or Adirondack (if available) unless housed with members of the same household. Youth Protection standards must be followed

More about your campsite:

For your stay you will be assigned a campsite that includes:

- Covered dining shelter
- Picnic table
- Fire ring
- Water source
- Please bring reusable water bottles!
- A nearby outhouse will be assigned for your cohort (and designated times if necessary).
- Sometimes may be designated as one-way only to preserve social distancing requirements.



Weather- Washington weather can vary greatly, even in the summer. Temperature vary widely at camp, and it can be quite cold at night. It will occasionally rain, sometime quite a bite! Be Prepared: check the weather report and bring sunscreen, raingear, sweatshirts, jackets, and other needed gear.

Clean Up

Our experienced staff will clean common areas such as outhouse, and handwashing sink. We ask that your cohort leaves your campsite as you found it or better, sweeping out your shelter, sanitized your table and doing litter sweep to make sure food and any trash is brought home with you.

Camp Rules & Safety

- **Quiet hours-** 10:00pm to 7:00am
- **Only registered guests are allowed in camp, even on foot, even if “just for a minute.”**
- **Prohibited Items:** Pets (registered service dogs only), Tobacco products (e-cigs, vape pens, alcohol, and drug use also including marijuana), Fireworks, firearms/archery gear, chainsaws.
- **Off-limit areas-** camping building and storage, construction areas.
- **Phones-** Lewis is a place to get away from technology, and the poor of cell service supports that. Our camp master/staff has emergency communication.
- **Medical Emergencies-** Please bring your own cohort first-aid kit for minor injuries. Emergency numbers are posted at each bullet board at each parking lot.

- **CPAP machines-** bring your own battery pack/inverter
- **Stay on Established trails**
- **Leave the plants, trees, and wildlife alone-** we are guests in their home. This includes all forms of feeding, chasing, and trapping of animals.
- **Do not deface, destroy, or purposefully damage camp or other’s property**
- **Vehicles-** Speed on camp roads is 5 mph. Trucks may not be used for transporting passengers except in the cab. Cars, RV’s, Trailers, ATV’s are not allowed in campsites.
- **Fires- (Only if fires are allowed).** Only use already downed or split wood or firewood.



Self-Guided Activities & Hikes

Things to Do:

Besides the beautiful, natural campsites setting, here are a few activities to enjoy as a unit during your stay:

1. Hiking- Enjoy visiting nearby lakes and take in great views of the surrounding. Camp Lewis features opportunities to hike right from the camp into Moulton Falls Regional Park. Several trails can take you out to see great views of Southwest Washington.
2. Biking- Bring your own bike and helmet and explore Battleground trails and service road. Please look out for other campers when riding roads and trails. At Lewis there are several great mountain biking trails that take you out to hills tops advantage of views of Southwest Washington, and through the forest. **Note: PLEASE BE AWARE OF POISON OAK AT CAMP**
3. Lakeside- while at Camp Lewis there is Battleground Lake, Lewisville Park waterfront area that is close to swimming, boating would be Daybreak Regional Park & Boat Launch. **Note: NO GOING IN OR NEAR WATER AT CAMP LEWIS.**
4. Solitary Places- The Webber Chapel in the middle of camp surrounded by trees and wildflowers, and is the perfect place for meditation, reading or just finding a bit of peace and quiet. Similarly, several nearby hikes offer a chance to get away from it all.
5. Star gazing- Camp stars are the best stars!
6. Campsite games- bring your own frisbee, chess board, puzzles, and other unit activities. Camp Lewis has lots of open area for games than most of our properties.
7. Campfire- During High fire danger campfires at Camp Lewis not allowed, campfire rings and propane may be used in specific areas of your camp master
 - a) During summer check with Camp master for current situation. Please keep charcoal cooking in designated campsite fire rings, and make sure it is “dead out” before going to bed.



If you have question, please contact our camp master/staff. We hope you enjoy your stay here at Camp Lewis. You can find camp master/staff around camp the camp master cabin during the day, or at the main shelter from 8:00am-8:00pm.

A nearby outhouse will be assigned for your unit and designated times if necessary.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR FACE COVERINGS AT ALL TIMES.

Camp Map:



EMERGENCIES IN CAMP

If you hear a siren, please gather your group and report immediately to the camp master cabin. Making sure everyone is accounted for is a crucial piece of working through many camp emergencies. Do not leave camp before instructed by or informing our trained staff.

If possible, bring your car keys and your medical forms when reporting to an emergency meeting spot. If you arrive without them, do not leave, and get them unless instructed to by camp staff.

- Stay calm! Dramatic responses add confusion and distraction to a difficult situation.
- Never place yourself in a dangerous position.
- Should you discover an emergency, stay on the scene, render aid as you are able, and send word to the camp master or staff.
- All accidents and injuries must be reported immediately to the camp master/staff.

NATURAL DISASTERS:

If there is an earthquake or other natural disaster, take shelter and remain where you are until it is over. When it is safe to do so, gather your family members in a safe place and try to remain calm. Do not attempt to relocate unless your location is unsafe.

FIRE

Move your cohort away from the fire area, leaving any threatened belongings. Report out of control fires to the Camp Master or Staff immediately. Report the location size, source of the fire, and wind direction/strength will help with the response.

LIGHTNING

If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike you. Move to a safe shelter like your vehicle or an enclosed building. Stay in a safe shelter well after you hear the last sound of thunder.

If you are caught outside with no safe shelter nearby the following actions may reduce your risk:

- Get out and away from ponds, lakes, and other bodies of water.
- Get off elevated area such as hills, mountain ridges or peaks.
- Stay away from objects that conduct electricity (barbed wire fences, power lines, windmills, etc.)
- Never lie flat on the ground, shelter under an isolated tree, or use a cliff or rocky overhang for shelter.

SERIOUS INJURY

In the event of serious injury, the following procedures occur in this order.

- Stabilize the victim
- Notify EMS via Camp master/staff (in person or via relay).
- If needed, treat for shock
- Check on the well-being of each witness.

MISSING PERSON

Missing people at camp are usually found quickly. Using the buddy system, providing accurate rosters, and ensuring your children are always within clear view and ear shot help prevent people going missing. While exploring our camp, conduct regular buddy checks to keep your group together.

If someone goes missing at camp:

- Check likely areas (sleeping area, outhouse, campsite)
- Ask others if they know the person's whereabouts and when they were last seen
- Notify camp master/staff

Camp4All: Every Scout an Unparalleled Outdoor Experience

100% of proceeds from our **Camp4All** campaign go to **getting Scouts to camp and giving them an unparalleled experience at our nationally recognized camp properties.**

Designate your donation to fund outdoor education opportunities; such a camp attendance scholarship for youth and camp staff scholarship, provide program supplies and equipment, maintain camp facilities, and provide critical camp staff training!



Why designate your gift? Because Outdoor Experiences are Life-Changing

CPC offers some of the most impressive camp properties nationwide in the Boy Scouts of America.

1. Camp4All supports from the community ensures:
2. **Life-changing experiences.** More youth will unplug, experience incredible personal growth, and maintain a life-long appreciation for the outdoors.
3. **More scholarships** so that every Scout can camp.
4. **Exceptional Programs.** CPC will invest in even more innovative experiences and quality programs.
5. **Superior properties.** CPC will continue to promise access to well-maintained, safe and clean properties.
6. **Retention & advancement.** Youth will remain in Scouting and deepen their personal growth learning because of summer camp.

Camp4All Community Giving

There are a multitude of ways you can make an impact for generation through community giving. Here is how:

General Fund: Support local Scouting strategic initiatives! **Community donors:** When making your donation do not forget to use the drop-down to designate your district.

Matching Gifts: Super charge your gift! Your company may match your charitable donation.

Planned to Give: Put your assets to work for generations with our tax-efficient charitable strategies.

To learn how to give go to: <https://cpcbsa.org/donate/camp4all/>