

# Adventure Day Camp

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Our primary concern is the safety and well-being of every

camper. Our camps follow all safety and risk management guidelines set by the Boy Scouts of America, the local, state and federal boards of health. Camp Resolute is also accredited by the American Camp Association, a national camp organization that sets high standards for both the health and safety of campers and staff, and the delivery of quality programs.

As required by MA DPH 105 CMR 430:190 (C) and (D), our camps must comply with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and be licensed by the local board of health. Parents may request copies of background checks, health care and discipline policies, as well as procedures for filing grievances.

American Camp Association (ACA) accreditation means that the Camp Resolute cares enough to undergo a thorough annual review of its operation—more than 250 standards from staff qualifications and training to emergency management. ACA collaborates with experts from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Red Cross and other youth service agencies to assure that current practices reflect the most up-to-date, research-based standards in camp operation. A health officer staffs the camps health lodge and a local physician is on call.

## **Medical Forms**

Every child attending Adventure Day Camp is required to bring a BSA Health and Medical Record, parts A & B to camp with them on the first day.

- Day Camp Medical Form
- Medical form instructions

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MUST be completed on the BSA form and signed by a parent/guardian.

These forms must be retained by camp, so keep a copy at home for use at other activities. Campers who must take medication while at camp must also have the authorization section of the form completed.

## **Medications**

State regulations cover the storage and dispensing of medications. All medication must come to camp in the original containers and be stored by the health officer in locked compartments in the camp health lodge. Exceptions to storage by the health officer are authorized for medications for treatment of allergies and asthma. Questions about these medications should be raised with the camp prior to the child's arrival. To ensure a smooth transition, we recommend that your child continue the medications he needs during the school year at summer camp. If prescription medications are brought to camp, the container must have a pharmacy label showing the prescription number, patient's name, date filled, physician's name, name of medication and directions for use. This information must also be on the camp medical form. Any camper coming to camp with a prescription Epi-pen or inhaler must bring two of either, one for the health lodge and one for the unit. The health officer dispenses medication according to the directions. If a camper refuses to take prescribed medications, this refusal is documented in the health log and the parent/guardian is notified.

## **Health Care Consultant**

The health care consultant (HCC) is a licensed physician. The HCC assists in the development of the camp's health care policy; develops and signs written orders for the health care supervisor; and is available for consultation at all times. The health care consultant is not present at camp.

## **Health Officer**

A health supervisor, who is at least 18 years of age and is present at the camp at all times. The health officer shall be a Massachusetts licensed physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse the health officer is, by regulation, present at the camp at all times and is, at a minimum, a Massachusetts licensed physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, registered nurse, or licensed practical nurse. The health care consultant authorizes the health officer to be in charge of health matters at camp on a day-to-day basis and to dispense medications.

## **Health Care Policy**

Complete health care policy for Camp Resolute is available to a parent or guardian upon request to Mayflower Council, 83 Cedar Street, Milford, MA 01757

## **Care of Mildly Ill Campers**

Each camper or staff member is responsible for reporting any signs of illness to the health officer (HO), who assesses each situation. The HO may administer over-the-counter medications he/she believes are warranted if they are authorized by the parent/guardian. If the HO determines the child should be sent home or seen by the health care consultant, he/she informs the reservation director and arrangements are made. In both situations, the parent/guardian is contacted as soon as possible.

## **Care of Campers who have an Illness/Accident at Camp**

Parents/guardians will be notified as soon as possible should a camper be taken to the doctor's office/hospital for an injury or health condition and if medication has been prescribed by the camp's health care consultant. The health officer or camp director will notify parents/guardians of any

persistent conditions or ailments. Parents/guardians should notify their doctor and health care provider of any health condition or accident/injury occurring at camp for follow-up visits and billing purposes.

## **Safety and Compliance**

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(D) Our camp must comply with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and be licensed by the local board of health. Parents may request copies of background checks, health care and discipline policies, as well as procedures for filing grievances.

(E) Each of our camps undergoes one or more safety inspections prior to and during operation. Our camp was certified as Nationally Accredited by the BSA and is an American Camp Association Accredited Camp.

(F) Information on 105 CMR 430.000 can be obtained at 617-983-6761.

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to-date, research based standards in camp operation. A health officer staffs the camp health lodge and a local physician is on call.

At the request of the Department of Public Health we have included fact sheets on our website. Campers attending a camp are not considered to be at an increased risk. The United States Centers for Disease Control, Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Mayflower Council encourage everyone to be safe outdoors. Diseases associated with ticks and mosquitoes are growing threats in Massachusetts. When outdoors, please take necessary precautions as suggested by the Centers for Disease Control.

CDC EEE Info

CDC Tick

Meningococcal disease

## **Discipline**

Campers attending Camp Resolute are expected to maintain appropriate behavior at all times. Respect for all members of the camp community and Resolute facilities is expected at all times. All discipline shall have as its intent the modification of behavior to within acceptable parameters. Discipline shall be limited to counseling, close supervision/monitoring, and restriction from selected activities. At no time will discipline be administered by a staff member under 18 years of age unless the actions in question pose a safety hazard to the offender or another individual. Then action appropriate to remedy the situation may be employed. Discipline shall be constructive or educational in nature, and may include such measures as diversion, separation from problem situations, talking with the camper about the situation, or praise for appropriate behavior.

Prohibitions:

- Corporal punishment, including spanking, is prohibited.
- No camper shall be subjected to cruel or severe punishment, humiliation, or verbal abuse;
- No camper shall be denied food or shelter as a form of punishment.
- No child shall be punished for soiling, wetting or not using the toilet.

The camp director reserves the right to dismiss a camper when, in the director's judgement, the camper's behavior interferes with the rights of others, prevents the smooth functioning of a group or activity, or violates the camp's principles of conduct.

### **Christian's Law**

In accordance with Massachusetts Law, our Camps screen campers for swim levels on the first day of camp and provides Coast Guard approved lifejackets for non-swimmers if they choose to wear them. You must inform the camp if you require your camper to wear a lifejacket during swimming activities. If parents wish to send along their own lifejackets they need to conform with the law as stated below. Note: Campers are screened in our pond and don't wear a lifejacket during the screening.

(a) MGL c 111 Section 127A1/2. (a) The department of public health shall adopt rules or regulations requiring municipal and recreational programs and camps for minor children under its jurisdiction to have a system in place to have Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices of Type I, II or III available to non-swimmers and at-risk swimmers who will be present in a swimming or diving area, excluding swimming pools, wading pools and other artificial bodies of water.

(b) A determination shall be made of each minor's swimming ability at the first swimming session at municipal and recreational programs and camps in order to identify and classify non-swimmers and at-risk swimmers. Minors attending a

municipal or recreational program or camp shall then be confined to swimming areas consistent with the limits of their swimming skills or to swimming areas requiring lesser skills than those for which they have been classified.

(c) No municipal or recreational program or camp for minor children shall refuse, decline or otherwise prohibit a parent, guardian or person with custody of a minor from providing a Coast Guard approved personal flotation device of Type I, II or III to such municipal or recreational program or camp to be used by the minor for the duration of the minor's attendance at such camp.

## **• Adventure Day Camp - Parent FAQ's**

# **FAQ – Frequently Asked Questions**

Answers to your frequently asked questions about Adventure Day Camp.

## **How do I confirm what weeks my camper is enrolled in?**

The email receipt you receive after you complete your registration is the only confirmation you will receive. No further email confirmations will be sent. You will receive an email approximately 1 week prior to your 1st day with final instructions. Scroll to the bottom to see dates selected as well as shirt size, etc.



## **Does my child need a medical form?**

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## **Should my child bring a lunch?**

Each child is expected to provide their own lunch. The lunch should be brown bag style. We do not have access to on-site refrigeration; it is strongly recommended not to use any mayonnaise products in your child's lunch. Please do not bring coolers. Plenty of water will be provided during the day's activities. Be sure to mark lunch boxes with your camper's name. There is no lunch to purchase this year.

## **What should I pack for my child's week at camp?**

All of the equipment needed for the various activities that campers will take part in during the day is provided. Campers will only need to bring a few items with them each morning. Please make sure that all personal items are labeled with your camper's name and hometown. This makes it much easier to

identify lost items. What To Bring /What Not To Bring

## **What if my child needs medication?**

All medication must be turned in to the camp health officer upon arrival at camp. It must be in its original packaging with the original prescription label in tact. Authorization to administer medication must be given by signing the appropriate section of the camp medical form. Medications may only be administered by the camp health officer. Exceptions may be made for asthma inhalers and similar medications at the discretion of the camp health officer. Medicines can be sent with the camper on Monday and picked up by the parent on Friday.

## **What is the camp's No-Show/Dismissal policy?**

Parents are requested to contact the camp at 978-779-5514 in the event that your camper will not be able to attend camp for one or more days. The camp staff will not release a camper into the custody of any person except the parent or legal guardians whose names appear on the camp medical form without written authorization from the parent or legal guardian. If your camper is getting a ride home from another parent including a volunteer staff member we must receive that request in writing.

## **What do I do if I need to pick my camper up early from camp?**

We ask that you contact the camp at 978-779-5514 in advance by telephone or in writing. This will allow minimal disruption to our program. For the safety of our campers, any early dismissals must be before 3:30pm to minimize the volume of moving vehicles in the parking lot.

## **Where is the camp located and where can I find directions?**

The camp is located at 129 Hudson Road in Bolton, Massachusetts. E. Paul Robsham Scout Reservation is owned and operated by the Mayflower Council.

## **What if it rains?**

We will continue all activities, unless there is severe weather in the area. Make sure your camper has all his or her rain gear in case.

## **Can I volunteer?**

Yes, you must register your camper online and indicate that you are willing to volunteer by May 1st. All volunteers are required to attend a mandatory orientation. Volunteers will be notified of dates and times. The scheduled dates will be the only opportunity to complete the training. Once you complete your volunteer service, your camp fee will be refunded.

## **My camper has a friend or sibling who isn't a Scout, can he or she come?**

Sign them up! They will just need to register online.

## **What if I can't afford camp and can't volunteer?**

Camperships are available, link to application can be found on the "Forms" Tab. This is a very important step. Once approved, we will issue you a coupon code for the value of your campership, but you will need to complete the online registration.

## **Do you have snack time?**

We have no special time set aside for snack but, your camper may bring a snack and eat it at anytime or during den time.

Please pack it separately from lunch.

## **How many campers are in a den?**

10-12

## **Will my camper receive awards?**

Each camper will receive a list of achievements for the week they attend. You will receive a printout with your picture at the end of the week. Scouts should turn these into their leader to receive credit.

## **If I volunteer can I bring my other children?**

No, we do not have accommodations.

## **Can I visit camp before I sign-up?**

Adventure Day Camp will have an open house. Stay posted for the date (usually in April). Meet our staff, play games, enjoy refreshments, win free prizes and see how camp operates on a day-to-day basis. You may also email the camp director to set up a tour.

## **Does my camper have to swim if he or she doesn't know how?**

We do encourage all campers to go in the water. All campers take a swim test on the first day of camp to check their ability.

## **What if I have special concerns?**

It is our goal to make sure each camper has the best experience possible. Please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate your needs!

## **Does the Camp have insurance?**

Mayflower Council maintains an insurance policy which covers all campers while at camp. This policy is an excess policy, which means that benefits are paid in excess of the benefits paid by any other insurance which the individual or group may have. To summarize, if your Scout is injured at camp, your personal insurance becomes primary for coverage with the camp insurance picking up any remaining amount. If no other insurance is available, the council's policy will cover expenses.

## **What is your camps discrimination policy?**

The programs of the Mayflower Council are available to all boys and girls without regard to race, color, religion, disability, or national origin. Any youth member may attend any age appropriate camp conducted within the council.

## **What if I have other questions that weren't answered here?**

Why wonder...call us! Questions about our camps can be emailed to Lisa or contact the Mayflower Council Service Center, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm 508-872-6551. You can call the camp at any time – voicemails are forwarded to our director and during the camp season please contact the camp directly: 978-779-5514.

### **• Campership Program**

The Mayflower Council operates a campership fund to provide financial assistance to deserving campers who would otherwise not be able to afford attendance at its camps. As good stewards of the money generously donated to this fund by concerned individuals, foundations and others, the Mayflower Council acts in complete confidence and exercises careful

judgement when awarding camperships.

In order to give as many camperships as possible, it is the policy of the Mayflower Council not to give 100% camperships and to only give camperships for one week at camp. Each family is expected to share part of the expense of camp. The amount granted is made on the basis of need and availability of funds.

To apply for a campership, the below application must be submitted no later than June 1, 2021. The committee will be meeting to distribute available funds on a rolling basis beginning in early spring. The earlier an application is submitted, the better chance the applicant has of receiving assistance. There is no guarantee of campership awards and applications will not be accepted after June 1, 2021.

Apply for a Campership

## • Refund Policy

**MAYFLOWER COUNCIL CAMP REFUND POLICY** – There is a non-refundable administration fee of \$50 for each registered program or session. After June 1 refunds are issued for medical reasons only. All refund requests must be made no later than August 20, 2021 using only the online form; after that date no refund requests will be processed.

Request A Refund