

CAMP WEIDMAN

LAKE HURON AREA COUNCIL - BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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RULES FOR USE AND CARE

AUTHORIZED USE Camp Weidman is owned by Lake Huron Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America and is intended for District or Council events and Unit (Pack, Troop or Crew) activities of the Boy Scouts of America. Unit activities must be approved by the Unit Committee and meet the requirements of Lake Huron Area Council and Boy Scouts of America. A copy of the Tour Permit will need to be provided when scheduling with Pam and Ford Dingman (989-772-4814). District and Council events take precedent over Unit events.

ASSIGNED AREAS It is the policy of Tall Pine District to allow multiple Units to use Camp Weidman at the same time depending upon the needs that Units have for the activities that are scheduled. Area assignments will be made by the District to allow the most complete use of the facility. When conflicts force the District to deny a Unit a requested time slot, preference will be given to Units that scheduled earliest.

LOCATION Camp Weidman is located four miles west of Mt. Pleasant just off M-20. From M-20, turn south on Vandecar Road. Go approximately ½ mile to the Chippewa River. The entrance to Camp Weidman is about 80 yards south of the bridge on the west (right hand) side hand of the road and is marked by a sign. Camp Weidman is a square 40acre parcel with the Chippewa River winding through it. Deerfield County Park adjoins Camp Weidman on the north and west borders.

LOCKS All locks are “keyed-alike”. This means that one key fits all locks, whether on the gate, shed, picnic tables or latrines. **When unlocking a lock, relock the lock in the “open” position.** This will keep locks from being lost or tampered with. When you are at Camp Weidman you should have a key with you. You can arrange to get (and return) a key when you schedule your activity with Pam and Ford Dingman (989-772-4814).

FIRES All ground fires must be in the metal fire rings provided. At least two 5-gallon pails of water must be present at each fire when daytime temperatures are above freezing. There are pails located in the shed. When snow is on the ground, snow may be considered as water available for fighting fires. A responsible person must be in attendance of each fire. When you leave the campsite, the fire must be put out. When cleaning fire rings, dispose of ashes by spreading them thinly over a wide area well away from areas that receive regular use. (A suggestion is to carry them to the low area south of the old latrine) Do not pile ashes around the base of trees near the parade field or in camping areas. Clean fire rings **before** a fire is started. **Never** clean fire rings if the ring has contained fire within the last 24 hours.

WELL The flowing well at the east pavilion is tested each year. If at any time the water does **not** pass the requirements as safe drinking water, a notice will be posted at the well. **Soap must not** be used at the well. The drain for the well takes water to the river and we do not want soap contaminating the river.

PICNIC TABLES When unlocking a picnic table, relock the lock on the short chain attached to the shelter post. This will keep the lock from being lost or dragged around in the dirt on the end of the chain attached to the picnic table. Picnic tables are intended for use at the shelter to which they are chained. If moved, picnic tables must be returned and re-locked when you are done with them. There should be eight tables at the east pavilion and four at the west pavilion.

SHED The shed is located north of the east pavilion. It contains 5-gallon buckets that can be used for firewater as well as a few tools including brooms that are intended to fight ground fires. Any wood that is stored in the shed is **not** to be used as firewood or to be cut. Anything in the shed may be used in camp as long as it is not abused and it is returned to its place in the shed when you are done with it.

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GATE The lock is secured to the gate. The only reason to lock the lock when the gate is open would be to keep from being locked in.

LATRINES Relock the lock on the hasp when opening a latrine. This will keep the lock from being lost or someone from getting locked inside. **The camp does not provide toilet paper.** Plan on bringing your own toilet paper. Latrines **may** need cleaning before use. (Shrews/mice can create a mess with toilet paper, cobwebs, etc.) Latrines need to be cleaned and locked after you are done with them. The old latrine is never locked. One side of the **east latrine is Handicap Accessible.**

LOG BOOK There is a Log Book in a metal can located in the shed on the shelf to the right of the door. You are encouraged to record information about your Unit, your length of stay, the number of adults and youth, and any comments that you might have. This will be helpful in determining how much use the camp provides and will make it possible to have some history in the future.

WIND The Poplar trees (located mostly near the front of the property) are quite susceptible to wind damage. This should be taken into account in your plans for safety concerns.

RULES

- **Scout Oath or Promise**
- **Scout Law**
- **Outdoor Code**
- **Safe Swim Defense**

LEAVING CAMP Checking each of these items would be appreciated even if you did not utilize every aspect of the facility. It takes everyone working together to keep the camp well maintained. Report any ideas, concerns, observations or damage to Pam and Ford Dingman (989-772-4814)

- **Trash** must be taken with you. There is no trash pick up for the camp.
- All **fires** must be out and cold.
- Return any borrowed equipment to the **shed** and lock it.
- Clean and **inspect** any areas of the camp that you used.
- Make sure that **picnic tables** are locked and under the pavilions so that they remain dry for the next users.
- Clean and lock **latrines**. Please check all latrines to make sure they are locked.
- If you are the last person out of camp, lock the **gate**.
- Return the **key**.

DONATIONS The cost of improvements and other costs (such as pumping of latrines and mailing of keys and information) are not covered by Lake Huron Area Council. We encourage and welcome donations small or large. All funds received are used to provide improvements and upkeep for Camp Weidman. Checks should be made out to "Friends of Camp Weidman" and sent to:

Ford or Pam Dingman
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