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|  | **COUNTY PATROL CAMPING WEEKEND**  **4th – 6th October 2024**  **Basic rules and advice** |

1. Each of your Patrol members need to know your Patrol name and Scout Group Name for checking-in on Friday evening. We are hoping to speed this up this year and will have checking-in via Patrol Names alphabetically.
2. We are reintroducing ‘**CPCW has got talent’** for 2024. If you or anyone in your Patrol, or even your whole Patrol has a talent that you want to show at the campfire on Saturday evening, then come prepared. If you need a musical instrument, bring it along, if you need props, be prepared and bring them with you. Your Zone Team will judge the best person or Patrol from the Zone to go forward to the Saturday evening Campfire final, where each Zone will be represented.
3. Each Patrol should consist of between 4 and 7 Scouts (inclusive). The Patrol should be a normal Troop Patrol as far as possible, with one Patrol Leader, one Assistant Patrol Leader and a range of ages. Your Scout Leader will be asked to put the Patrols together from your Troop. Make sure you talk to your Scout Leader about who should be in each Patrol!
4. All Scouts should arrive and depart in full Scout uniform (that’s top half only – don't forget your knecker please).
5. All cooking for the weekend will be on altar fires, except for the Ready Steady Cook County Cooking Final which will be on gas stoves provided by CPCW.
6. **Please do not bring axes, knives, saws or gas to the camp.**
7. All Scouts attending must have completed an online Health Form, Permission to Camp and Permission to Shoot Form via our registration website <https://www.woggle-events.co.uk> prior to the camp. Without these completed forms, Scouts will be unable to take part and maybe sent home at the discretion of the Event Lead.
8. All Adult Helper Leaders must also register prior to the event and provide Health Forms via our registration website <https://www.woggle-events.co.uk> prior to the camp. Without these completed forms, Adults will be unable to take part. If Adult helpers are staying overnight on the camp site, they will require an in date DBS Number prior to the event.
9. All Scouts must stay on Horley Scout Campsite for the duration of the camp unless given specific permission to leave (e.g. to attend an external event or school commitment).
10. Alcohol, fireworks, laser pens, drugs, cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vaping and the like are not allowed. **If any of these or similar items are found in your possession, the whole Patrol will be sent home.**
11. Quiet time is from 11:00pm to 7:00am on the camp site.
12. Each Patrol will plan its own menu and purchase its own food (except for Friday Evening BBQ which we will provide, but **eat something before** you arrive at camp please). You must prepare two copies of your menu for the camp. One copy should be handed in on arrival at the camp to your Zone Staff and the other copy should be displayed at all times in your Patrol site for the duration of the camp.
13. On Saturday we will be running a Patrol County Cooking Competition. Each patrol will need to prepare three cooked hot meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) cooked on an altar fire and based on the theme of ‘TASKMASTER’. All three meals must be hot! Each patrol should prepare an extra plate of food that will be judged, with the winner of each Zone going through to a Ready Steady Cook type final on the Saturday evening in the marquee (all food will be provided for this by CPCW). Points will be awarded for the quality of the food with bonus points for creativity in meeting the theme! Have some fun!
14. You are responsible for ensuring that your area of your Zone campsite is safe at all times.
15. Each Group is asked to provide one adult leader to help with activities over the whole weekend. This can be the same adult or two different ones. The adult leader may camp overnight in the adult campsite if they wish – but to do so they must have a valid Scouting DBS. The adult helper leader is asked not to make contact with their team during the event.
16. **Adults other than the Event Organisers and one adult helper per Group are not allowed on the site between the time the Patrol has booked in and 1400 hours on Sunday, when they are welcome to join us for the presentations and close of the camp. Parents and Leaders: please respect this and follow the instructions of the camp staff.**
17. If playing music on your Patrol site, only one device at a time should be used and you must keep the volume low enough so it can’t be heard outside your site. This is at the discretion of your Zone Leader Team.
18. We discourage Scouts from bringing mobile phones or other electrical equipment to the event. It is often wet and muddy at CPCW and this equipment can easily be lost or damaged. You bring this equipment at your own risk.
19. You will be allocated a range of activities once everyone is booked in at the event.
20. **The Event Lead for CPCW has the final decision in all matters and he/she reserves the right to send both Adults Helper Leaders, Event Staff and Scouts home at any point with immediate exclusion from the event, should their actions, behaviour or words not represent Scouting UK and Oxfordshire Scouting, or if they cause harm or distress to others.**