



CAMP SIONITO
A PEACEFUL REFUGE PROMOTING WHOLENESS

Rules for Use of Camp Sionito

General Use Rules:

The following rules shall apply to all groups and individuals using the grounds and facilities at Camp Sionito:

1. The Campground Manager shall be provided opportunity to present instructions, fire regulations, procedures for check-in and check-out, policies for the use of the grounds and other pertinent rules and procedures at an initial gathering of the Lessee group.
2. It is the responsibility of the Lessee to assure compliance with the licensing rules for children and youth camps including but not limited to those promulgated pursuant to the Texas Youth Camp Safety and Health Act, as may be amended from time to time (see <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/youthcamp/rules.shtml>).
3. The following are strictly prohibited:
 - Use or possession of firearms, other weapons, fireworks or articles of incendiary nature.
 - Hunting with firearms, bow and arrows, traps, etc.
 - Use or possession of illegal drugs.
 - Public consumption of alcohol and smoking outside of the designated smoking area (i.e., the RV Pavilion).
 - Animals and pets, including but not limited to dogs, cats and horses. Notwithstanding the forgoing, small pets owned by Sionito RV Park guests are permitted, but when outside of an RV must be on a leash and confined to the RV Park and designated Pet Zone. Pets and other animals are prohibited from all buildings. Owners are responsible for the sanitary disposal of pet traces.
 - ATV (four wheelers), motorcycling, bungee jumping, fencing, hot air ballooning, jet skiing, small plane riding, trampolines, hang gliding, lawn darts, nighttime river swimming, pool diving, skate boarding/skate board ramps, skydiving, snow mobiling, ultra-light flying, jumping/diving from rocks/cliffs.
 - Carrying persons in open vehicles and/or trailers other than in a passenger compartment.
 - Use of Sionito-owned vehicles and/or trailers, except with Campground Manager authorization.
4. Golf carts are limited to use by licensed drivers.
5. Motor vehicles must be parked in designated areas.
6. Campground tools and equipment may only be used by permission of the Campground Manager and then returned promptly to their proper place.
7. Furniture and equipment may not be moved from facilities except under the direction of the Campground Manager.
8. Living quarters and personal property of campground management and staff are private property and, as such, should not be used by campers.
9. Sound and other audio/visual equipment is available for use by qualified personnel with the permission and direction of the Campground Manager.
10. Permanent campfire sites have been selected. Each site is stocked with material for building fires and only this material may be used. All trees and undergrowth should be left undisturbed. Before starting a fire, check with the Campground Manager to confirm a county burn-ban is not in effect. Never build a fire in a location except the designated sites or leave a fire unattended. No open fires are permitted for cooking except in designated areas with prior approval of the Campground Manager.

11. Papers and trash must be deposited in trash containers.
12. No person or group will be allowed to leave or store on the grounds, personal property, or other items in their charge, except with prior Campground Manager authorization.
13. The following cleanup procedures should be observed prior to vacating Camp Sionito:
 - Cabins and buildings swept/vacuumed clean and left in good order.
 - Tables, chairs and equipment returned to their original locations.
 - Restrooms swept, lavatories scoured, toilets brushed and left clean.
 - Wastebaskets emptied into trash barrels.
 - Cabins, bathrooms and buildings checked for personal belongings.
 - Grounds left neat and clean and free from matter foreign to the area.
14. The director of the Lessee must ask the Campground Manager to check the campgrounds and sign the checkout form before the Lessee leaves the grounds.
15. Sionito cannot be held responsible for lost, damaged or stolen property.

Swimming Pool Rules:

The following rules shall apply to all groups and individuals using the Swimming Pool at Camp Sionito:

1. Read and obey all posted signs at the Pool.
2. Follow instructions given by lifeguards/attendants at all times.
3. Pool capacity is 150 persons.
4. No glass containers or ice chests.
5. No food, gum or drinks in the water.
6. No radios, CD players, TV's, Ipods, Ipads, MP3 players, etc. (unless used with personal headphones).
7. No swimwear or other equipment which has been in the River.
8. No patrons with open wounds or sores or evidence of a contagious disease.
9. Shower before entering the Pool area and after each use of restroom facilities.
10. Children who are not toilet-trained are not permitted in the Pool.
11. Acceptable attire must be worn by patrons on the deck and in the water. No cutoffs in the Pool. Patrons with religious concerns regarding modesty may wear clean, covering garments that do not interfere with their safety in the water.
12. Children age 10 and under must be accompanied and supervised by an adult age 18 or older at all times.
13. Walk – DO NOT RUN – on the Pool deck.
14. No diving, flips, back flips from the side of the Pool.
15. No hanging on rope.
16. No throwing people into the water.
17. No offensive acts of physical affection.
18. Pool equipment is not to be removed from the Pool area.
19. Failure to follow the above rules can result in serious injury or death, or loss of privilege. All persons using the Pool do so at their own risk.

Water Slide Rules:

The following rules shall apply to all groups and individuals using the Water Slide at Camp Sionito:

1. Read and obey all posted signs at the Slide.
2. Follow instructions given by the lifeguards/attendants at all times.
3. Slide may only be used with lifeguards/attendants on duty.
4. You must be able to pass a swim test to ride the Slide.
5. The waiting line to use the Slide is formed on the Pool deck, not on the stairs.
6. Only one rider at a time is permitted on the Slide.
7. Swimsuits must be free of buckles and sharp objects. No loose jewelry.
8. No jeans, cutoffs, shoes, flip flops or sunglasses are permitted on the Slide.
9. No swim aids including floats, tubes, mats and life jackets on the Slide.

10. No running, standing, kneeling, sitting up, rotating, tumbling, or stopping on the Slide.
11. No diving from the Slide.
12. Riding position is feet first, lying flat on back, arms crossed over chest and ankles crossed all the way down.
13. Do not start down the Slide until the plunge pool is clear and instructed by the lifeguard/attendant.
14. Immediately exit the plunge pool after exiting the Slide.
15. Riders must be in good general health. Women who are pregnant and anyone with a heart or back condition should not use the Slide.
16. Failure to follow the above rules can result in serious injury or death, or loss of privilege. All persons using the Slide do so at their own risk.
17. Please be a smart rider.

River Rules:

The following rules shall apply to all groups and individuals using the Medina River at Camp Sionito:

1. Swimming is not permitted in the River.
2. Children at or near the bank of the River must be supervised by an adult age 18 or older.
3. Canoes, tubes, jackets and paddles may be used only with the prior approval of the Campground Manager or designated Equipment Manager.
4. Before entering the River, check with the Campground Manager to confirm water conditions are safe.
5. All persons in canoes and tubes are required to wear life jackets (which are provided by the campground).
6. Canoes, tubes, jackets and paddles must be stored properly after each use.
7. Safe canoeing procedures must be taught or reviewed by the Advanced Lifesaver before use of the canoes.
8. Horseplay such as ramming canoes is prohibited.
9. No more than three (3) people may be in a canoe at a time.
10. Canoeing and tubing is not permitted after dark.
11. Failure to follow the above rules can result in serious injury or death, or loss of privilege. All persons using the River do so at their own risk.

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