



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)



### My session of camp is full, How do I register my Crossover Scouts?

Camp Rotary does NOT want to turn away any Cub Crossovers from coming to camp. However, our Dining Hall capacity is 360 campers - so this limits what we are able to do. If your Unit requires additional space for Crossover Scouts ONLY, it will need to be prepared for the following: 1) overflow seating is on the deck of the Dining Hall, 2) your entire Unit may not be able to eat together.

### Does Camp Rotary provide tents to its Units?

Camp Rotary utilizes a "Bring Your Own Tents to Camp" Program. If your Unit cannot supply tents, Camp Rotary has a limited number of tents that will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 48)*

### How do I register my Scout(s) for the PATH Program?

PATH registration is now completed online. To sign up for the PATH Program, simply select it as one of your classes under the "Merit Badge Selection" heading as part of your registration. Scouts who sign up for the PATH Program will still have the option of signing up for other merit badges if they will not be participating in the entire program.

### How do I register my Scout(s) for Merit Badges?

To sign up for Merit Badges, you will need to make sure that the Scout(s) has \$100.00 payment applied to them by the March 1st Payment Deadline. Once this payment has been applied, the Merit Badge selection part of the system will open to you on March 18th. Merit Badge sign-up is on a first-come, first-served basis - and many classes have a capacity so register early! For a step-by-step how-to, please visit this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m96mJ82enyI>

### What do I do if I need to change my Scout's Merit Badge selection?

You will be able to access your Scout's registration until the Friday before your arrival to camp. Up until that time, you will utilize the Merit Badge selection part of the system to make any changes to your Scout's schedule. Any changes after that time will need to be made with the Program Director upon your arrival to camp.

### How can I see the Merit Badge progress of my Scouts?

The merit badge tracking system is updated by 11:00PM daily by our program area directors. To view the progress of your Scouts, you will want to log-in to your reservation; click on the "Reports" heading (located under "More"); click on "Unit Advancement Detail". This will show you what requirements have been completed, and whether or not your Scouts were in class on any given day. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 37)*

### Does Camp Rotary have a Family Night? Is there a fee? Can I visit at other times?

The Camp Rotary Carnival is our premiere Family Night event. Visitors can join us at camp starting at 4:45PM each Friday. There is no cost for joining us, unless you would like dinner. Dinner is \$8.00 per person. Visitors have the option of leaving after the Carnival is over at 7:00PM, or may opt to join us for our Closing Campfire Program taking place in the Valentine Amphitheater from 8:30PM - 11:00PM. There are no overnight accommodations for visitors. Visiting hours at any other time are from 9:00AM - 9:00PM — all visitors must check in at the camp office.

### Do visitors need to have a DHS Registry Clearance Form?

The State of Michigan requires that all visitors over the age of 21 have a current, valid DHS Registry Clearance form. This form is free to everyone. If you are registered with the BSA and have not had a lapse in your registration since the original form was submitted, you do not need a new form. If you are not registered with the BSA, or have had a lapse in your registration, a new form is required each year. To fill out a DHS Registry Clearance Request Form, please follow this link: <https://michiganscouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/Central-Registry-Clearance-Request-Instructions-2016-v3.pdf> *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 28)*

### Are adults required to attend the PATH Program?

If your Unit is sending Scouts to the PATH Program, your Unit is also required to send an adult with them - this greatly assists our PATH Staff in maintaining control of group, and helps to keep the group on task, ensuring that all requirements are met per the PATH Schedule. If you have new leadership in your Unit, encourage them to participate in the PATH Program. All adults that complete the entire PATH Program will earn their Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) training. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 58)*



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### Are there trainings or activities for Adult Leaders attending camp?

Camp Rotary knows and understands that many of your adults use personal vacation time to bring your Scouts to camp. Because of this, we have put together trainings and programs available to just your leaders. For a full listing of Adult Leader activities, please refer to page 59 of the Camp Rotary Leader's Guide.

### How does my Unit sign up for service projects at camp?

If your Unit wished to complete a service project at camp, they will need to sign up with the Quartermaster by Wednesday evening. The Quartermaster building is open for 45 minutes after each meal, with the exception of Wednesday and Friday evening.

### Can I utilize my vehicle while in camp?

Personal vehicles (including ATV, UTV, and Golf Carts) are not allowed in camp EXCEPT for handicap & mobility purposes. You will need either a doctor's note for limited mobility or a state issued handicap plate/placard to have your vehicle authorized. For more vehicle rules, please refer to page 102 of the Camp Rotary Leader's Guide.

### How do you handle campers with a CPAP machine?

The campsites at Camp Rotary do not have electricity. If you have a need for a CPAP machine, you will want to purchase a battery and AC/DC converter. Camp Rotary DOES NOT allow for the running of extension cords from our shower houses. The Camp Rotary Ranger Staff will work with your Unit to set up a battery charging schedule.

### What part of the health form do I need to bring with me to Camp?

The BSA requires that ALL participants that will be overnighing on camp property have parts A, B, & C of the BSA Health Form - regardless of how long they will be in camp. Camp Rotary can ONLY accept the BSA Health Form - sports physicals, etc. are not permitted and campers without a proper health form will be sent home, no refund.

### Am I required to have an updated immunization record?

The BSA requires that all campers overnighing on camp property have an up-to-date tetanus shot, which must be listed on their health form. Campers not in compliance with the requirement will be sent home, no refund. If you or your Scout(s) do not have immunizations based on religious, philosophical, or medical ground, you will need to fill out and attach the BSA Immunization Exemption Form, available at this link: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/680-451.pdf>

### What do I do if I, or my Scouts, have special dietary needs?

Camp Rotary employs one person in our kitchen responsible for preparing all of our special diets (gluten free, vegetarian, vegan, kosher, etc.). Campers with special dietary needs will need to fill out our Food Service Dietary Request Form at: <https://michiganscouting.org/food-service-dietary-request-form/>. In addition, they will also need to contact the camp at least 2 weeks prior to their arrival. While every effort will be made to accommodate the special dietary needs of you and your Scouts, you may need to bring supplemental food items to camp that we cannot provide locally. (Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 98)

### When can I sign up for Summer Camp 2022?

Units that are in camp that wish to sign up for the same session, same campsite in 2022 will need to do so by Wednesday at 5:00PM in the camp office. Units wishing to sign up for a different session in 2022 will be able to do so online at 8:00AM on the corresponding Friday in 2020 (i.e. if your Unit wants to attend Session #4 - 2021, they can log-in and register at 8:00AM on Friday morning of Session #4 - 2020).

### Is there a deposit to sign up for 2022? Do linked units both have to pay the deposit?

There is a non-refundable \$200.00 deposit that must be made at the time of registration for the 2022 camping season. Because linked units are still separate units, EACH unit is required to make the \$200.00 deposit. This deposit will be rolled into part of your entire camp fee for 2022, rather than be taken in addition to. Units may also have the ability to register for the Gold Unit Loyalty Plan for a \$500.00 deposit.



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### What time / what do I need when I check my Unit into camp on Sunday?

Camp Rotary opens the doors to units at 10:00AM on Sunday to begin setting up your campsite. At 12:30PM all campers are required by State of Michigan regulations to return to the Parking Lot for check-in. A member of the Camp Rotary staff will meet with your Unit Leader and walk you through the check-in process. You will need 1) 3 copies of your completed unit roster; 2) your Scout and Adult Leader health forms - in alphabetical order; 3) your Camper Release Forms; 4) your Adult DHS Registry Clearance Forms; 5) Proof of Adult Registration for ALL Adult Leader's attending camp during the week. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 94)*

### What is the Camp's policy on swimsuits?

Camp Rotary follows the National High Adventure Base guidelines as they pertain to swimwear. The policy is as follows: while doing aquatics activities, swimsuits must be modest - for males, tight fitting swim briefs or swim bottoms short enough to allow exposure are not allowed - no speedos; for females, bikinis are not allowed - modest tankinis or one-piece swimsuits are appropriate. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 19; 26; 95)*

### How does the buddy system work with male & female campers?

The buddy system, per the BSA National Office, is as follows: 1:1 - Boy:Boy or Girl:Girl; 1:2 Boy:Girl or Girl:Boy.

### Is the Field Uniform (Class A) required at meals and/or flag ceremonies?

Camp Rotary strongly recommends the Field Uniform at Morning Flag and Breakfast and requires the Field Uniform for Evening Flag and Dinner. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 32; 97)*

### Am I allowed to bring personal equipment (guns, climbing harnesses, etc.) to camp?

The Michigan Crossroads Council does not allow ANY personal equipment of any kind to be brought or used on camp property. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 31)*

### Is my Unit's attendance required at Opening and Closing Campfire?

For safety and security reasons, Camp Rotary requires all units in camp to be in attendance at both the Opening and Closing Campfire programs. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 76)*

### Does Camp Rotary have WiFi? If so, does it have a firewall?

Camp Rotary has open, free WiFi to all of our customers. While Camp Rotary does not have a firewall, the system is filtered for content. *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 86)*

### Does Camp Rotary allow bikes in camp?

Camp Rotary does allow for the use of bike in camp. All bikes are required to be registered in the camp office by Sunday evening. Bikes are only allowed on the camp roads and vehicles have the right-of-way. A helmet is required to be worn whenever the bike is in use. For all other bike rules, please refer to page 88 of the Camp Rotary Leader's Guide.

### What is the Camper Release Form? Do I need one if I have my BSA Health Form?

Because of the layout of Camp Rotary, in the fact that the Camp Office is separate from the Health Lodge, all campers will need to fill out the Camp Rotary Release of Campers Form in addition to the BSA Health Form. The Release of Campers Form includes information regarding who the Scout may and may NOT leave camp with and will be turned in separately from the health form. A Scout will NOT be released to anyone who is not listed on this form for any reason, including parents! *(Camp Rotary Leader's Guide: Page 95)*

### How do I get my Blue Cards?

Camp Rotary does not print blue cards for your Unit. At the end of the week, you will get a print-out of your Scout's completed and partial merit badges. You will need to print your blue cards upon your return home. For a full set of details on how to print your Unit's blue cards, please see page 40 of the Camp Rotary Leader's Guide.