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WMC Weekend Camping Season to Begin!

At Chesterfield & Moses

2011-2012

Reservations available starting...

Aug. 29 for units who attended 2011 WMC/Partner Summer Camp.

Sept. 6 for WMC Scouting units.

Sept. 12 for non-WMC Scouting units.

Sept. 19 for non-Scouting groups.

- *Make your reservations starting on the dates listed above.**
- *You can make reservations for both camps, Chesterfield & Moses, through either Scout Service Center in Chicopee or Pittsfield.**
- *Have alternate dates and/or facility choices ready in case your first choice is not available.**

Our Western Massachusetts Council camps, Chesterfield Scout Reservation in Chesterfield, MA, & Moses Scout Reservation in Russell, MA, are available for weekend camping by Scouting units during much of the school year. Cabins, shelters, & tenting are available on a first-come, first-served basis according to the dates listed above. Full payment should accompany all reservation requests to be fair to other Scouting units.

Camp maps, driving directions, camping policies, & other information is available online at the council's website www.wmasscouting.org. Comprehensive safety information is available from BSA at www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety.aspx.

Two-deep adult volunteer leadership at a minimum is required, and all campers must follow all Scouting safety standards and camping protocols as outlined by WMC & BSA.

These standards include proper clothing, gear, preparedness, & training for camping, following the Buddy System at all times, age-appropriate activities, and additional safety rules. We urge you to become well-versed in and observe these guidelines.

We wish you a safe, educational, and fun time at our Western Mass. Council camps!



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2011-2012 Weekend Camp Rates for Chesterfield & Moses

CHESTERFIELD FACILITY	CAPACITY	AMENITIES*	COST*	USAGE DEPOSIT*
Craft Lodge	Sleeps 12	WS-E	\$80	\$25
Ecology Lodge	Sleeps 12	WS-E	\$80	\$25
Magee Lodge	Sleeps 24	WS-E	\$120	\$25
Warren Chase	Sleeps 25	(2)WS-E	\$125	\$25
3-Shelter Cluster	Sleeps 14		\$30	\$20
4-Shelter Cluster	Sleeps 20		\$40	\$20
Tenting			\$20 per unit	\$20

MOSES FACILITY	CAPACITY	AMENITIES*	COST*	USAGE DEPOSIT*
Aquatics (co-ed)	Sleeps 30	(2)WS-E	\$150	\$30
Hillside (co-ed)	Sleeps 12	WS-E	\$80	\$25
Quimby Lodge	Sleeps 14	WS-E	\$85	\$25
Guyton (co-ed)	Sleeps 24	WS-E	\$120	\$25
Cabin 1 (co-ed for 4)	Sleeps 24	WS-E	\$120	\$25
Cabin 2 (co-ed for 4)	Sleeps 24	WS-E	\$120	\$25
T Lodge (co-ed)	Sleeps 24	E-R-H-S-GS	\$275	\$50
Nikomis 3-Shelter	Sleeps 12+		\$30	\$20
ABC 3-Shelter	Sleeps 30		\$50	\$20
Tenting			\$20 per unit	\$20

*Amenities: **WS**=Wood Stove **E**=Electricity **R**=Refrigerator **H**=Heated **S**=Showers **GS**=Gas Cooking Stove

*Cost: Non-Scouting Group Rates are 2X the published Scouting unit rates.

*Usage Deposit: is used toward damages to facilities if needed, and is refundable or transferable if no damage occurs. However, you must check-in & check-out with Ranger or his designee to ensure proper responsibility.

THE FIRST LEADER OF THE GROUP TO ARRIVE AT CAMP MUST bring the Approved Camping Permit, and register/sign in with the Ranger or his designee before entering any building or area to be used. Units that are tenting will be assigned a site by the Ranger. Likewise, sign out with the Ranger. We will be pleased to refund your Usage Deposit if there is no damage, and if your facility or site is left in a clean & orderly manner.

Two-deep adult volunteer leadership at a minimum must be present in camp at all times.

Approval of a request for a building does **NOT** authorize use of the waterfront or lake, other than for fishing from shore away from summer camp waterfronts. State fishing rules should be obeyed. The Ranger must approve walking on lake ice in the winter.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE RESERVATION. Tell your parents. Illicit drugs, fireworks, etc. are not permitted.

The speed limit at the camps is 15 MPH. Be careful & watch out for campers.

Trail bikes, snowmobiles, and ATV's may be dangerous to hikers and campers, and are not allowed in camp. Please **DO NOT** bring them to the Reservation.

PLEASE leave the camp in better condition than you found it. Remember "Leave No Trace" and bring your garbage back home with you.

The Camp Maintenance/Administration Committee recommends that units bring their own firewood for use in the wood-burning stove in each cabin, at least for Friday nights. Come prepared with axes and saws to collect and cut firewood for the remainder of the weekend. Please note that chainsaws are prohibited in scout camp. This is a national BSA safety regulation.

Weekend Camping Reservation Request (becomes Camping Permit when Approved)

Please submit this form with full payment to the WMC Scout Service Center in Chicopee or Pittsfield at least 3 weeks prior to your requested weekend. Please print. When approved, a copy of this form will be returned to the Leader in Charge, and will become your Approved Camping Permit. Bring it with you, along with the Check In/Check Out Form, and present it to the Ranger upon arrival at camp.

Chesterfield Scout Reservation _____ Moses Scout Reservation _____

Facility Requested _____ Weekend Requested _____

Cost _____ Usage Deposit _____ Arrival Time (Fri./Sat.) _____

Departure Time (Sat./Sun.) _____ (Checkout Time is by 11:00 AM on Sunday.)

Unit (Pack/Troop/Crew) No. _____ Council _____ District _____

No. of Youth Expected _____ No. of Adults Expected _____ Total Expected _____

Leader in Charge _____ Email _____

Full Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Assistant Leader _____ Asst. Leader Phone _____

We agree to conduct our program in compliance with the rules outlined in this publication, and on the reverse of this form. We agree to abide by the health and safety regulations of the Boy Scouts of America. We accept full responsibility for the health, safety and conduct of our group. Any damage to Council property will be defrayed from the usage deposit. If all camp rules are complied with and there is no damage to Council property, than the usage deposit will be refunded or carried over to another reservation date when the Check-In Check-Out form is returned to the Scout Service Center on time. The Western Massachusetts Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, assumes no liability whatsoever for any Scouting unit or group using Council facilities, equipment or areas.

Leader in Charge Signature _____ Date _____

WMC USE ONLY: Request Rec'd: _____ C ___ P ___ STAMP BELOW

Facility & Dates Verified _____ Cost _____ Usage Dep. _____

Approved by _____ Approval Sent _____

Information, camp maps, driving directions, & camping policies available online at www.wmascouting.org.
Comprehensive health & safety guidelines available at www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety.aspx.

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Local Area Phone Numbers:

Springfield (413) 351-2069 Pittsfield (413) 418-4002 Northampton (413) 341-0032 Greenfield (413) 829-2050
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Fax Numbers: Chicopee Service Center (413) 592-1875 & Pittsfield Service Center (413) 236-0902

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WESTERN MASS. COUNCIL CAMP RULES: Chesterfield & Moses Scout Reservations

The following information is provided to inform Unit leaders of basic policies applicable to the Western Mass. Council long & short-term camp facilities and should not be considered obstacles; rather, they are intended to ensure a safe, clean, orderly, educational, & fun use of our very valuable resources, our camping properties.

CAMP RANGER/CAMPMASTER: These men and women are representatives of the Western Mass. Council and are charged with the responsibility of supervising our properties. All units must check in and out of camp. This includes units that are tenting. Tenting areas will be assigned by the Ranger/Campmaster.

CABINS/TENT SITES: The facility your unit rents is your home while at camp. You can expect to find it clean on arrival. Please leave it in better condition than you found it. Units should also conserve electricity and central heat in those facilities that provide such utilities.

LATRINES: Are designed for human waste only. The latrine nearest your site will be the units' responsibility to keep clean.

TRASH: REMEMBER A SCOUT IS CLEAN! Units are asked to take their trash home. "Leave No Trace."

FIRES: Open fires are generally permitted in camp. Occasionally, due to weather conditions or camping location, open fires may be prohibited. No new fire rings should be constructed anywhere without the Ranger's permission. Open fires should be maintained following procedures outlined in the Boy Scout Handbook. Remember, no open flames in tents or other structure will be allowed.

FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS: Stoves, lanterns, heaters, or any appliance using liquid fuel are to be used under adult supervision. Remember no open flames in any tent or other structure is allowed. Bulk storage of liquid fuels will be in accordance with accepted safety standards as outlined by BSA policy.

PETS: No pets of any kind are permitted in camp. Pets owned by the camp's resident Ranger and the Ranger's family are exempted.

FIREARMS / BOWS & ARROW / SHEATH KNIVES / CHAINSAWS: Guns are not permitted in camp unless they are being incorporated into an established range activity being operated under BSA standards. Prior arrangements must be made with the resident Ranger before entering camp with firearms or bow and arrows. Firearms and bow and arrows must be surrendered to the Ranger upon entering camp, the Ranger will store all firearms, bow and arrows, and ammunition. Sheath knives are not allowed in camp. ** During the hunting season, non-BSA personnel are allowed access to our camp for the purpose of hunting. Use of firearms; bows and arrows, and those individuals will be allowed sheath knives as long as the resident Ranger is aware of their presence. Hunters must also abide by all existing state or local laws pertaining to firearms use. Chainsaws are prohibited in camp per order of National BSA.

VEHICLES: Speed Limit is 15 MPH. Private vehicles are confined to areas designated by the Ranger. Vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas. The Ranger must authorize the use of camp vehicles. Persons operating or riding, as passengers in a private or camp vehicle must be in a designated seat with a seat belt designed for that purpose. Absolutely, **NO** riding in the back of any open or closed vehicle without proper seating is allowed. **NO** bicycles are allowed in camp. Bicycles owned by the camp's resident Ranger and the Ranger's family is exempted.

LIVE TREES/ GROUND COVER: live trees are not to be cut or damaged unless explicit instructions to do so are given by the Ranger. Ground cover should generally be left in place. Ground cover removed for fire safety should be replaced. No fire holes, ditches, or grease pits should be dug.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES/NON-PRESCRIBED DRUGS: Intoxicating beverages and illicit drugs are not allowed in camp. Ranger/Campmaster have been instructed to enforce this policy and will ask the person(s) in violation to remove themselves from camp permanently.

ADULT SUPERVISION/CURFEW: The Standard BSA policy of "two deep leadership" will always be in effect. Under no circumstances should scouts be left unsupervised. The hours between 10:00 PM and 7:00 AM should be relatively quiet time so as to respect the rights of others in camp. Youth campers should not be outside the immediate vicinity of their campsite during these hours unless under adult supervision.

WATERFRONT /LAKE / HIGH ADVENTURE: The Camp Maintenance/Administration Committee must approve usage for activities. Additionally, qualified (BSA certified) supervision is required. Permissions and certification alluded to do not apply to fishing activity from shore, away from summer waterfronts. Walking on lake ice in winter must be approved by the Ranger.

VANDALISM: When vandalism occurs, compensation is required. The Ranger/Campmaster will assess cost of repair/replacement, and collect on the spot or will refer the matter to Camp Maintenance/Admin. Committee.

FIREWOOD: The Camp Maintenance/Administration Committee recommends that **units bring their own firewood** for use in the wood-burning stove in each cabin, at least for Friday nights. Come prepared with axes and saws to collect and cut firewood for the remainder of the weekend. **Please note that chainsaws are prohibited in scout camp.** This is a national BSA safety regulation.

CAMP RULES: These rules are intended for use by both scout and non-scout groups alike. If you have any questions, regarding these rules, **Please** contact the Ranger or the Council Maintenance/Admin. Committee.

RESOURCES: Maps, driving directions, camping policies, & information is available on the WMC website at www.wmasscouting.org. Comprehensive health & safety resources are available online at www.scouting.org/scoutsources/HealthandSafety.aspx.