

Golden Gate Area Council COVID-19 Den or Patrol based Activities at Camp Guideline

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The procedures described in this plan are designed to minimize the risk of exposure to COVID-19 pathogens to dens or patrols wishing to perform activities at any of the Golden Gate Area Council (GGAC) owned camp properties: Camp Herms, Camp Royaneh, Wente Scout Reservation, Camp Wolfeboro, and Rancho Los Mochos.

The procedures described herein are designed to meet the guidelines and/or requirements of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), California Division of Occupational Health (Cal/OSHA), and county health orders.

Please note that the COVID-19 situation is frequently changing, and all staff should stay informed on the current situation from news reports as well as regulatory and health official guidance. This document shall be reviewed and updated as needed per changes in county health orders and/or other regulatory/guidance updates.

Planning

Visits to camp shall be carefully planned.

Utilize the [Restart Scouting Checklist](#) when planning service projects.

Approval

A reservation must be made at least 48 hours in advance and approved by Melissa Yarns at Melissa.yarns@scouting.org

Prescreening

Prior to arrival and at least daily, all participants should be screened for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain • Headache
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Diarrhea
- Feeling feverish or having a temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit
- Known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19

Individuals with an increased risk for severe illness (older adults & people with underlying medical conditions) will need to take greater care and seriously consider not participating in service work at the camps.

What to Bring

- Ten Essentials including hand sanitizer

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- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

All workers will supply their own PPE:

- Face Coverings
- Work Gloves
- Safety Glasses
- Work Boots
- Safety Goggles (if needed)
- Hard Hat (if needed)

Check with Ranger what disposable PPE (i.e. Nitrile Gloves) will be available on site.

- Camping Gear/Cooking Gear

If service work will require staying overnight, the individual and/or groups must bring their own cooking gear, camping gear, food, and whatever else they may need to spend the night. Workers should not expect to use camp equipment

Social Distancing

Social distancing procedures will be followed by all work groups.

If workers come to camp in a group (i.e. troop, crew, patrol), they will comply with county health orders requirements (both their home county and county where the camp resides) of a “stable group”. They shall not work closely with any other group, individual, or camp staff. Face coverings should be worn when working within close proximity (6 feet) of other group members.

Individuals coming to work at camp shall not work closely with other groups, individuals, or camp staff. Face coverings should be worn when working within close proximity (6 feet) of other groups, individuals, and camp staff.

Note: when working outside and at distances greater than 6 feet from other people, workers may remove face masks to better deal with personal health and environmental (heat, altitude, etc.) conditions.

Sanitation

Prior to coming to site, workers should determine what facilities are available on site.

Frequent hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, is highly encouraged. Individual and groups should bring their own hand sanitizer/wipes.

Sharing of tools and equipment should be minimized and shared equipment should be disinfected after each user. The use of work gloves should minimize the need for frequent disinfection.

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References:

[Boy Scouts of America](#)

[State of California](#)

County COVID-19 Links

- [Alameda County](#)
- [Calaveras County](#)
- [Contra Costa County](#)
- [Lake County](#)
- [Mendocino County](#)
- [Napa County](#)
- [San Francisco County](#)
- [Solano County](#)
- [Sonoma County](#)
- [Tuolumne County](#)

[Centers For Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

[Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19, OSHA 3990-3 2020, OSHA, March 2020](#)

[Golden Gate Area Council COVID-19 Page](#)

[List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2 \(COVID-19\), US Environmental Protection Agency](#)

[Restart Scouting Checklist, #680-693](#)