

## Guidelines at Camp Nicolet - Reunions, Rentals, & Family Camp

**Welcome to Camp Nicolet!** To provide an enjoyable and rewarding stay with us, it is essential that safety and communication are our main considerations. We ask your cooperation in making this "quality time".

**Smoking:** is prohibited in all camp buildings. When smoking outside, please extinguish all smoking materials in a safe manner and dispose of butts in the provided receptacles (not on the ground or in the lake, please!)

**Firearms, weapons, and explosives (including fireworks):** are not permitted on the camp premises. Gasoline or other flammable materials must be clearly marked and kept away from the cabin areas.

**Alcohol and illegal drugs:** the use of illegal drugs is prohibited on the camp premises. The use of alcohol is determined by the individual user groups and in accordance with Wisconsin State laws. Please be safe & responsible.

**Groundfires:** are not permitted for cooking purposes. A specific campfire area is available for your use in the Council Ring. No beach fires please!

**Vehicles:** the speed limit through the camp premises is a maximum of 15 MPH. Please keep all traffic to a minimum and use extreme caution because of small children, etc. Do not "pull up" to your cabin for any reason; underground utilities run between each cabin and can be easily damaged.

**Parking:** A parking lot is available on the "back road" of camp. Overflow parking at the discretion of the Camp Owners & Facilities Manager is also available. We ask you do not park by your cabin, but keep your vehicle in the designated lot. All camp roads must be kept clear at all times for emergency purposes.

**Toilets:** our toilets are our friends - please treat them accordingly! Camp operates on its own septic system which can be sensitive. Do not flush anything other than toilet paper.

**Cabins:** cabins are available to assigned participants (refer to registration information). Please turn off lights and close doors when leaving. Please do not write on the walls, bunks, etc. and leave your cabin as clean as you found it. Extra bathroom supplies, cleaning products, light bulbs, etc. are obtained at the Camp Office.

**Firewood:** Wood is provided in your cabin woodbox. Please do not cut down branches or trees for firewood or peel birch bark from live trees. The red metal fire bucket outside your cabin is for cleaning ashes from your fireplace – please do not deposit any flammable items in them or dispose of ashes in any other way.

**Showers:** the main camp Shower House is for your use and showers may be taken at any time, when the building isn't being cleaned. Please turn off the water, turn off the lights, and leave the door open when you are finished. Shower clogs, Crocs, etc. are recommended - no glass containers in the showers, please.

**Personal Equipment/Possessions:** Camp Nicolet does not assume responsibility for any personal equipment or possessions (including animals - none allowed) that you bring or loan to others. This includes theft, injury to yourself or others, and/or damage to these belongings. Personal items must be used responsibly following camp guidelines.

**No Pets Policy:**

Because of liability, general sanitation and consideration of others, family pets are not permitted on the camp premises.

**Recycling:** receptacles for recycling are placed around the camp grounds. Please use these when disposing of aluminum cans, plastic bottles, etc.

**Bikes, In-line Skates, Longboards, etc.:** we ask that there is no bike riding or skating on the camp sidewalks or tennis courts. Please have respect for older campers and small children – parents, please monitor this! We have miles of trails, camp roads, and excellent pavement within minutes of camp - ask for recommendations.

**Swimming:** Camp Nicolet, Inc. is not responsible for any swimming activity. If you wish to swim, the activity is at your own risk and we highly recommend the following guidelines:

- a certified lifeguard (with CPR/1st Aid certification including training in bloodborne pathogens) be on duty during all swim and boating times
- always maintain a 1:6 adult to child ratio
- never swim alone, always use the "buddy system"
- swim only in the designated swimming area
- no distance swimming outside of designated swimming area
- no running or horseplay around the water or on the docks
- no swimming after dark
- no skinny dipping (swimming nude)
- no "lake baths" with soap or shampoo

**Boating Activities:** it is mandatory that lifejackets (PFDs) be worn by all persons while participating in boating, canoeing, kayaking, boardsailing, or sailing activities. An equipment checkout list is posted in the boathouse. Please follow posted safety regulations and "rules of the road". No personal watercraft, like jet skis or Sea Doos, are allowed at camp. All equipment must be properly cleaned, dried, and put away when you are finished for the day.

**Recreational Facilities:** Forest Lodge is available for recreational enjoyment. A kitchenette with a refrigerator, TV & DVD player, and large fireplace are available. Please respect the equipment and keep the Lodge clean!

**Tennis courts** are available for your enjoyment! Please wear tennis shoes only on the courts. No bikes, boards, or skates are allowed on the courts.

**Repairs/Maintenance:** if you notice anything needing repair or that should be brought to our attention, please report this to the Camp Nicolet owners. Part-time maintenance staff is on call throughout the week.

**Unauthorized Persons:**

If someone who is not a part of your group is present on site, please inform the camp office and/or the owners immediately. The person may be politely approached by at least two adults and directed to the camp office or the appropriate camp personnel. Camp Nicolet property boundaries encompass the stable area to the west and extend to Nicolet Village on the eastern shore. As we are surrounded by forest or water, parents/adults are responsible for their children and all family members at all times.

**Emergency:** phones are located in the camp office, and the owners' private homes. Emergency numbers are as follows:

**Ambulance** (Eagle River Memorial Hospital): **911**

**Fire** (Hiles North): **911** - our camp bell is rung 10 or more times to signal a fire or other emergency

User groups must notify camp personnel when emergency situations such as serious injury, lost or missing persons, or fire occur. Although camp personnel is trained in CPR/1st Aid, user groups are advised to have a group member with these certifications on site. Groups are responsible for providing their own First Aid care, supplies, and equipment and arrangements for emergency transportation. An AED is centrally located on the ground floor of the boathouse along with a First Aid kit.

## Location Information

**Physical Address:** 16040 Highway 70 East, Eagle River, WI (13 mi east of town)

**Camp phone:** 715-545-2522 (24 hour voicemail)

\*\*Cell phone coverage at camp is unreliable. Please inform friends and family members accordingly, who may wish to contact you during your stay. Coffee shops and restaurants in Eagle River often provide excellent wireless internet to their patrons.

\*\*There is an **AT&T cellular tower** +/- 4,000 feet from main camp, along highway 70. AT&T cell phone and wireless broadband internet service is now excellent on the property, with consistent 4G LTE service. We recommend purchasing an AT&T SIM card for your device if you anticipate requiring Internet connectivity during your stay.

**Please Note:** *Camp Nicolet personnel reserves the right to terminate any activity, program, or behavior and eject any person from the facility that is deemed potentially harmful to the participants, facilities, or image of Camp Nicolet, Inc.*

*Users will comply with all applicable laws of any municipality, county, state, federal or other public authority and will hold Camp Nicolet, Inc. and its owners and employees harmless from any and all claims for injury or damage to any person or property arising from any act or omission by Camp Nicolet, Inc., its officials, agents, members, or invitees.*

## **COVID-19 Addendum**

The COVID-19 Pandemic remains an evolving situation. Camp staff continue monitoring local & regional conditions and operational decisions are made in the best interests of our families and guests.

While every effort is made to conduct programming in a safe and healthy way, Camp Nicolet, Inc. (and its owners & staff members) **does not guarantee an absence of viruses at camp.** Participation in Cabin Rental or Family Camp is entirely at your own risk and free-will (your choice).

Best practices for safe camp operation are outlined in the *“Camp Nicolet COVID-19 Risk Management Guide”* (casually referred to as our Operations Guide) which is downloadable with the Registration and COVID-19 Screening Forms on the Camp Nicolet website.

Please download and read this Operations Guide to gain understanding of expectations and protocol put into place for overall community health & the safe operation of Camp Nicolet this summer.

If you have any questions about our policies or expectations, please ask prior to arrival. Thank you for your assistance!