

Troop 442

Troop Tent Policy

1. The Troop QM will permanently identify each tent/fly/bag combo with a serial number and the Troop number. "No Flame in Tent" will be identified on the tent and fly.
2. The Troop QM will be responsible for:
 - a. Issuing tents to each Patrol Quartermaster. If the Patrol does not have a QM, then the Patrol Leader will act as QM.
 - b. Issuing one tent for every two active campers in each patrol.
 - c. Maintaining a minimum number of extra tents will be maintained in the trailer for emergency use.
3. Patrol Quartermasters will be responsible for:
 - a. Issuing tents to patrol members.
 - b. Maintaining track of the location of patrol tents.
 - c. Ensuring the patrol members properly dry out wet tents to prevent mildew.
 - d. At the end of the leadership term, the QM will have patrol members check in their assigned tents after verification of tent condition. Any tent damage, broken parts, or mildew will be reported to the Troop QM.
4. Patrol scouts are responsible for:
 - a. Communicating tent need to the Patrol QM prior to arriving at the church to depart for a campout.
 - b. Returning a clean and dry tent to the Patrol QM and reporting any damage or broken parts.
 - c. If a scout fails to arrange for a tent prior to troop assembly before a campout, the Troop QM will decide whether he can attend the campout. If allowed to attend, the scout will be loaned a tent from the trailer and the scout will have the responsibility of Assistant Troop QM for the campout. If a scout repeatedly does not arrange for a tent, he may lose the privilege of attending future campouts.
5. Damage to tents as a result of normal wear and tear is understandable and the patrol will not be penalized.
 - a. If an adult witnesses a scout(s) abusing/misusing a tent which results in tent damage, the scout(s) will owe compensation to the Troop for repair/replacement of the tent.
 - b. Mildewed tents returned to the Troop or Patrol QM is unacceptable. The scout or patrol responsible for a mildewed tent will compensate the troop for replacing the tent (~\$50).
 - c. A scout/patrol will be suspended from participating in future campouts until compensation is made.
6. At the Troop meeting before the campout, tent assignments will be made on the Grubmaster Checklist and scouts will indicate who is responsible for bring the tent to the campout. The Campout Patrol Advisor will sign the checklist after the menu is planned and tent responsibility is identified.
7. For a long term camp, the Scoutmaster will ensure tent needs and responsibilities are communicated to the scouts.