

Brit Ahm Sukkot Camping Rules

Camp out with us for the weekend as we continue in our celebration of Sukkot! If you want to camp with us, you must sign up through our website on the camping event page by the deadline. *****Signing up to camp does not guarantee you may camp. All campers will be approved by synagogue leadership. Only unapproved people will be notified.***** The deadline to sign up is **Wednesday, October 8th**. (Please contact an office staff member if you have any questions.)

Set-Up and Take-Down

Sukkot camping is from Friday, October 10th through Monday, October 13th. All camping sites are on a first-come, first-served basis. Please refer to the *Where Can I Set Up My Tent?* map for areas to set up. **Set-Up** is permitted on Friday. All tents **MUST** be set up **BY 5:30 pm** which is before sunset when Shabbat begins - **no exceptions**. If you cannot come set your tent up on Friday, you may set it up Thursday, October 9th, but you must contact the office first to let us know. Tent set up is not allowed anytime during the weekend after sunset on Friday. **Take-Down** of tent and all belongings must be done by 5pm on Monday. Everyone is to be off the premises by 6pm on Monday.

Camping Rules & Specifications

1. Your name and the names of those camping with you in your tent must be written on the sign up form by the deadline given.
2. Your tent must be set up *before* sunset on Friday (**5:30 pm**) even if you don't plan to camp both nights. The only exception to the set up deadline is if you request to set up on Thursday.
3. Your tent must be taken down by 5pm on Monday.
4. No trailers or RVs allowed.
5. No fireworks allowed.
6. Absolutely no illegal drugs or intoxication will be allowed on the property. All violators will be asked to leave and any illegal drug use will be reported to police.
7. Absolutely no smoking or vaping anywhere on the property.
8. All campers and attendees are responsible for cleaning up after themselves.
9. All campers and attendees are required to attend the services held at the synagogue during the camping period. This includes regular Shabbat Services at **9am** and **10am**. Children ages 5-12 can either attend Shabbat School or Foundations class with their parents at 9am. All other campers will be required to attend Foundations class at 9am.
10. All campers and attendees must wear modest clothing at all times, as determined by an elder or rabbi.
11. Campfire: Campfires **MUST** be lit and started *before* sunset on Friday (**5:30 pm**). No exceptions. If the fire goes out during a Shabbat, it may *not* be reignited until after sunset on Saturday.
 - a. An adult may be allowed to keep the fire from going out on Shabbat if he or she is available. Campfires must be supervised at all times during the camping

weekend. The only exception to this is during Shabbat Services when a member of the safety team will watch over the campfires for safety reasons only.

12. Campers:

- a. Couples who wish to camp together (i.e. share a tent) must be married. No exceptions.
- b. Minors (under 18) must be accompanied and supervised by a parent or guardian (18+) while camping. By signing the sign up form, the parent or guardian asserts that he or she will take responsibility for the minors (i.e. safety, whereabouts, foolish or dangerous behavior, etc.).
- c. Any camper who does not adhere to any of these Camping Rules & Specifications and the ones that follow here may be asked to leave the property at any time by either an elder or rabbi.

13. Camping Etiquette

- a. Cooking:
 - i. Campers are responsible to bring their own food and drink.
 1. Community "Hobo dinners" are allowed only on the basis of signing up on a sheet to bring a certain item. A sign-up sheet will be made available a week or so prior to camping weekend.
 2. "Hobo dinner" food can be stored in the refrigerator in the *Community Camping Food section* with permission given by an office staff member or rabbi prior to the start of camping. All food brought for this must be written down on the sign-up sheet before the specified deadline. The synagogue's refrigerator may not be used for personal items at any time. Personal items stored in the refrigerator may be thrown away.
 3. Campers who wish to partake of the "Hobo dinners" choose to eat at their own risk. Campers should take their own allergies into consideration. Brit Ahm Messianic Synagogue, the office staff, elders, or rabbi are not liable for any allergic reactions to food or otherwise.
 - ii. Campers are responsible to clean up after themselves.
 - iii. Campers are not allowed to bring unkosher food on the property nor to cook it on the property.
 - iv. Campers may share their own food or drink at their own risk.
- b. Conversation:
 - i. We ask that all campers refrain from discussing topics of a "fringe nature" or divisive issues. All such topics are to be determined by an elder or rabbi. An elder or rabbi will ask a person to stop talking about such a topic as a warning. Anyone who continues to talk about such topics after being asked not to will then be asked to leave the property.
- c. Quiet Time:
 - i. Quiet Time is from 11:00 pm until 7:00 am each day of camping per city ordinance; however, please begin to quiet down at 10:00 pm each night as many campers, especially children, begin to go to sleep around that

time and also so that we do not disturb the neighbors with loud noises. This includes all campfire conversations during this time to cease or be monitored by an elder or rabbi. This also means tent noise must be kept to a minimum and not disturb other campers.

- ii. If someone is disturbing campers, please notify an elder or rabbi.
- iii. Anyone who continues to be a disturbance during Quiet Time will be asked to leave the property.

14. Water Slide, Kiddie Pool (if available), & Toddler Bouncy House

- a. Minors (under 18) who use the water slide must be supervised by a parent or guardian (18+) at all times.
- b. Children ages 4 and under may use the kiddie pool and bouncy house marked by their age group. All children using the kiddie pool must be supervised by their parent or guardian at all times.
- c. All inflatables will be closed and off limits from 5:30pm on Friday until 2:00pm on Saturday and also closed from 6:00pm Saturday until 12:00pm on Sunday. The inflatable water slide will be closed down for the weekend and no longer available for use on Sunday at 6:00pm. All other inflatables may be available through Monday.
- d. Parents or guardians will be responsible for taking turns at supervising the water slide during the camping weekend.
- e. All parents and guardians may be asked at any time to supervise the slide.
- f. The water slide will be turned off at any time when there is not a parent or guardian available to supervise the slide.
- g. For the kiddie pool: Anyone who is using the kiddie pool, until closing time, must also empty the pool and remove the pool for safety reasons.
- h. For the bouncy house: Anyone who is using the bouncy house, until closing time, must be deflated for safety reasons.
- i. Any minor or adult who uses the slide must follow the safety rules for using the slide:
 - i. One person goes down each slide at a time.
 - ii. Each person must wait for the person who slid down before them to get completely off the slide before sliding down. This includes the pool at the bottom.
 - iii. No one may push someone down the slide.
 - iv. No one may cut in line on the slide.
 - v. No sitting on or climbing on or over the sides and arch of the slide.
 - vi. Everyone must abide by the rules on the slide at all times and anyone who does not abide by all of these rules may be asked to get off the slide and stay off until a time determined by the parent or guardian who is supervising the slide.
- j. Swimwear
 - i. Anyone who uses the slide must have modest swimwear which will be determined by an elder or a rabbi.

- ii. Anyone who does not have a modest swimsuit will be asked to get off the slide and stay off until he or she has a modest swimsuit to wear.

15. General Behavior

- a. All campers and attendees are expected to treat others the way they would like to be treated.
- b. If anyone is behaving inappropriately or in a harmful way towards others, he or she will be asked to leave the property.
- c. Each situation will be handled by an elder or rabbi on a case by case basis.