



TRAIL LIFE USA®

CONSIDERATIONS FOR FOX TRAILMEN AND OVERNIGHT ACTIVITIES

Not all Trail Life activities are appropriate or advisable for all age groups. Generally speaking, children of this age (Woodland Trail Fox members) can get a sufficiently meaningful outdoor experience without the overnight experience.

Parents and the Troop Ministry Liaison should be aware that Trail Life USA does not recommend camping for Woodland Trail Fox members due to their young age for primarily health and safety reasons; most particularly that there is an increased likelihood of them wandering away, not being focused and attentive to safety rules, getting injured, or not being closely supervised.

However, upon full acknowledgement of the concerns and risks associated with camping – including those that specifically apply to Woodland Trails Fox members—the Charter Organization, responsible Troop Leader, and Fox parent/guardian have the authority and discretion to allow Woodlands Trail Fox members to attend overnights provided that the following requirements are met:

1. The Troop Ministry Liaison (TML), the Troop Leader responsible and attending the event, and the parent(s)/guardians of the Fox Trailmen must review and sign this document (there is no need to submit, it should be filed with the event records);
2. A parent or legal guardian must supervise/remain with the Fox at the campout. Only that Fox Trailman’s parents (and grandparents with recorded parental permission) may sleep in or enter a tent with their Fox;
3. Understanding there will be adults who may not normally be involved in Troop activities and, therefore, not Registered Adults, we require the use of official Lanyards and Member ID cards for the activity. This familiar identifier serves both the boys and other adults in recognizing who has been background-checked, CSYPT trained, and approved by the Charter Organization, and who qualifies for two-deep leadership; and
4. Youth attending must be registered members or invitees who are eligible to join.

We have read the Considerations for Fox Trailmen and Overnight Activities document and understand the risks and concerns in permitting Fox Trailmen (Kindergarten and 1st Grade) to participate in the overnight activity to be held on _____ (dates).

The undersigned parent or Legal Guardian has read and agrees to follow TLUSA’s Child Safety and Youth Protection (“CSYPT”) policies and the direction of Troop Leaders regarding health and safety matters.

The undersigned hereby release Trail Life USA, its directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, and the Charter Organization from all damages, actions, causes of action, and claims which may in any way arise out of or result from my son’s participation in this overnight activity.

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| TML Signature | TML Printed Name | Date |
| _____ | _____ | |
| Attending Troop Leader | Leader Printed Name | Date |
| _____ | _____ | |
| Parent/Guardian | Parent/Guardian Printed Name | Date |

This signed Advisory form is to be filed with Troop records for this event.