



South Mountain YMCA Camps
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South Mountain YMCA Camps Weekend Camping: Sites and Lodging Guidelines & Policies

Welcome to South Mountain YMCA Camps!

Our mission is to provide a camping experience, educational and other programs that build personal leadership, character and life skills while developing caring, honesty, respect and responsibility in young people, families and communities.

Office Hours, Contact Information and Emergency Information

South Mountain YMCA Camps Main Office - (610) 670-2267

Business hours M-F 9:00am - 5:00pm

On-Call Cell Phone - (484) 345-8296

Patient First 2600 Papermill Rd., Wyomissing, PA 19610 (484) 220-0051	Emergency Room Tower Health Medical Group 420 S. 5 th Ave, West Reading, PA 19611 (484)628-8000	Emergency Room St. Joseph Medical Center 2500 Bernville Rd, Reading, PA 19605 (610) 378-2000
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Emergency Procedure

In the event of an emergency, notify the SMYMCA on-call staff member immediately. In the event that an ambulance is called, notify the SMYMCA on-call staff member immediately. If it is a camp-wide emergency, a continuous ringing of the Dining Hall bell will notify everyone on camp. In this situation everyone should meet on the Big Athletic Field in front of the Dining Hall. Attendance will be taken to ensure that all guests and staff members are accounted for and further instructions will be provided. Group leaders should have rosters of all participants, staff and volunteers.

Security

Upon arrival every adult (18+) must register with our LobbyGuard visitor management system in the main office. This system will screen all adults through the National Sex Offender database. Adults must bring a driver's license or photo ID.

Primary Contact Name: _____

Primary Contact Cell Number while on-site: _____

Camping Guidelines

Parking / Vehicles

One parking spot is available at every cabin, cottage or main camp tent site. Additional vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas. Upon check-in guests will receive parking passes.

**Please note that Peak Side tent sites do not include a parking spot. Guests can drop off gear and supplies at tent sites and then must return cars to designated parking areas.* Driving through camp for convenience puts participants at great risk of incident or injury. Please keep all driveways and roadways clear for maintenance and emergency vehicles.

Quiet Hours Respect quiet hours between 10:00 p.m.-8:00 a.m.

Trash Disposal

Place all garbage in the trash cans that have been provided at the Village Lodges. Not all tent site areas offer trash collection, so be prepared to pack out your trash.

Supervision

Parents, you are responsible for your children. A parent/guardian or age-appropriate caregiver must be present on the grounds with all minor children. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian, or age-appropriate caregiver at all times.

Visitors

It is the policy of South Mountain YMCA Camps that all visitors check in at our main office. Any visitor 18+ will need to be screened by our LobbyGuard system. Visitors arriving outside of business hours must be cleared with the on-call SMYMCA staff member. Any unknown or suspicious individuals should be brought to the attention of the on-call SMYMCA staff member immediately.

Campfires and Firewood

All cabins have evacuation plans posted as well as fire extinguishers and smoke detectors. Please do not place beds in front of fire exits or tamper with fire extinguishers or smoke detectors. Groups will be charged for misuse of fire extinguishers. **Campfires may only be held in designated rings and hearths. Un-authorized fire rings or pits will be subject to a fine.** Campfires must be contained in the fire ring and extinguished with water before you retire for the night. Hot embers can re-ignite the fire if winds are blowing. Shuffle the fire to make sure it is out. Never leave a fire unattended... not even for a minute. Firewood is available upon request at check-in for \$5.00 a bundle. Wood gathering for use in park campgrounds is limited to dead material on the ground.

Shower Houses

No personal belongings should be left in the shower house during the weekend. Do not use sinks for washing dishes, please use the outdoor sinks provided at lodges.

Food Storage

All food, equipment used to cook or store food, and anything that may smell like food (such as toothpaste) must be stored in a closed vehicle or sealed container (e.g. cooler). Coolers can be stored on cabin and Village Lodge porches. To avoid pests, please do not store food inside cabins or lodges.

Pets

Pets are not allowed in cabins and cottages. Dogs are allowed at tent sites but must remain on leash. Please prevent excessive barking and properly dispose of pet waste.



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Weekend Camping: Policies

1. At the time of reservation guests will be asked to pay rental fees in full. If guests cancel their reservation, camp will issue a refund minus a 15% non-refundable deposit.
 - a. If South Mountain YMCA Camps is unable to offer booked amenities due to a natural disaster, epidemic or pandemic, government regulations, or other similar occurrences beyond the reasonable control of camp, then groups will have the option to transfer deposits to a future booking or receive a full refund.
 - b. If South Mountain YMCA Camps is open and operating, but the group must cancel their scheduled trip due to a natural disaster, epidemic or pandemic, government regulations, or other similar occurrences beyond the reasonable control of the group, then deposits can be transferred to a future booking.
2. While the staff is available to assist your guests, it is understood that your **Primary Contact** (listed above) accepts responsibility for the behavior and supervision of those in your group. **Groups are responsible for their own first aid and first aid supplies.**
3. The South Mountain YMCA Camps require that all adult campers that are not related to minor campers to avoid one-on-one interactions with these children when out of the sight of others. This includes the avoidance of unsupervised one-on-one interactions between minor campers.
4. South Mountain YMCA Camps takes pride in its appearance and the maintenance of its facilities. It is expected that all users will exercise common sense and respect the property. Your group will be charged for any damages incurred to South Mountain YMCA Camps' property.
5. It is agreed that the group and all its participants will defend, indemnify, and hold the South Mountain YMCA Camps and its management harmless, all at the group's expense, with regard to any claims or liability resulting from the group's use of the South Mountain YMCA Camps premises and facilities.
6. The South Mountain YMCA Camps is an alcohol, tobacco and drug-free facility. In addition, weapons, pets and personal sports equipment are not allowed on camp property. For Special Events please view our Alcohol Policy.
7. For the security of our campers, all adults (18+) must bring a valid state ID or driver's license to register with our LobbyGuard visitor management system.