

VFW 5th District
OAKLAND & MACOMB COUNTY YOUTH CAMPOUT

SEPTEMBER 8-9-10, 2023

Upon arrival at the campsite, a VFW Camp Volunteer will meet your group(s). Give him/her your post number and city and he/she will direct your group to a campsite area to pitch your tents. After setting up your camp area, an Adult Advisor must register the team and turn in Permission Forms at the Registration Table set up in the kitchen area. Please time your arrival before 9:30 PM on the Friday of the campout. There will be an Adult Advisor's meeting at 10:00 PM in the kitchen area.

To help promote the campout, pictures will be taken throughout the weekend. Please fill out and sign the Photo Release Form and turn it in with the other forms at registration.

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Rules and Regulations

- 1) Any organization may sponsor a team or a number of teams. Each team shall be made up of ten (10) campers between the ages of 7 and 17 along with two (2) Adult Advisors.
- 2) Each team entered, **a VFW Post will pay a fee of \$150.00. This fee includes food, insurance, and awards.**
- 3) Fees will **NOT** be refunded
- 4) One camper will be designated as the Team Leader and shall ensure that the team is at all scheduled events.
- 5) All teams will have two (2) Adult Advisors **present at all times** who will be fully responsible for their team's actions. The Advisors will ensure that their team observes all Rules and Regulations.
- 6) Teams will be responsible for keeping the general area of their campsite clean at all times. All team's tents will be kept in order throughout the weekend. **NO LITTERING**. All areas will be checked by VFW Camp Volunteers.
- 7) **ABSOLUTELY NO SMOKING or ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES will be permitted in or around the tents.**
- 8) There will be no food, candy or drinks of any kind in or around the tents. The kitchen will provide all food and drinks for the campers. All contraband found at the campout will be confiscated, turned over to the Adult Advisor, and returned to the camper upon the completion of the campout.
- 9) **NO KNIVES, AXES, OR WEAPONS OF ANY KIND WILL BE TOLERATED.**
- 10) Electronic devices of any kind are not allowed. The campout cannot be responsible for their safety.
- 11) No one will be permitted to leave the camp area at any time unless accompanied by an Adult Advisor and with the Camp Director's permission. Camp director's number: 248-971-5844.
- 12) Swearing, back-talk, and unsportsmanlike conduct towards other teams or adults will not be tolerated.
- 13) Any questions or problems not covered by these rules should be brought to your Team Leader and/or Adult Advisor. It will be brought before the Camp Director or appointed person in charge for final resolution.
- 14) All buildings, the lake, playgrounds, clubhouse, and the kitchen area (other than during meals) are **Off Limits**.
- 15) It will be the responsibility of the Team Leader to see that the team reports on time according to the schedule of events.
- 16) **Final date for team entry is August 25, 2023.**
- 17) Special diets are to be reported to your post and Adult Advisors. The kitchen must also be notified three (3) weeks in advance of the campout so that arrangements can be made.

These Rules and Regulations will be obeyed by all campers. Violation of the rules may result in demerits, loss of points, or you can be requested to leave the area in the company of your Adult Advisor.

If you have any questions, call **Don Kuffner at 248-971-5844.**

TO BE READ TO ALL TEAM MEMBERS

The VFW 5th District, Oakland & Macomb County Youth Campout will be held the weekend of September 8, 9, & 10, 2023. You are now a member of a team that will compete against several other teams at this event. The best teams will be presented awards on Sunday, September 10, 2023 at Multi Lakes Conservation Association, Inc. The formal ceremony will begin at 9:30 AM. Please invite your parents and/or guardian.

Your team will be accompanied by two responsible adults. They will drive you to and from the site of the events. Your team must report to the site **NO LATER THAN 9:30 PM, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.** At that time, a schedule will be posted. Competition will begin Saturday at 8:30 AM and will last until approximately 6:00 PM. Your team must choose a Team Leader and it will be their responsibility to see that the schedule of events is followed.

Parents/Guardian must sign the "Permission Form". Give the form to your Adult Advisor who will turn the forms (one per person) in at the campsite when he/she registers the team.

You will compete as a team in the following competitions. Your team should report to each starting point on schedule and as a group with your Team Leader to receive instructions. Scores will be tabulated as a team and will determine the awards.

COMPASS COURSE

The Compass Course itself has several "Stations." These stations can only be found by using a compass. You will learn to shoot an azimuth. Once your Team Leader receives instructions your time will be logged.

RIFLE RANGE

Campers must be at least 48" to shoot the rifles. Each camper will fire ten (10) rounds under the supervision of Certified NRA instructors. A single shot twenty-two (.22) will be used. Be sure to follow all the rifle safety rules. If any team member breaks any of the range rules, your team can and will be removed from the range.

TEAM BUILDING COURSE

The station master will give the team members instruction on the course upon arrival.

DRUG AND SAFETY

This will be a question and answer course. The time and place for assembly is arranged by the Drug and Safety Station Master. All questions and answers are derived from the information found in the books given to your Adult Advisor.

ARCHERY

Each team member will fire five to ten arrows per camper at a stationary target. Be sure to follow all Safety Rules. If any team member breaks any of the range rules, your team can and will be removed from the range.

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EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Each sponsoring organization is required to see that each team sponsored by them has the equipment listed below. It will be the responsibility of the Adult Advisor to check each camper for the right amount of equipment before leaving home or the sponsor's location.

MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Tent _____ Sleeping bag or two blankets _____ Notebook/Note paper _____ Pen/Pencil _____ Compass with lanyard cord/Clipboard (one per team) _____ Flashlight _____ Table knife, fork, and spoon _____ Insulated cup with handle (no Styrofoam or Paper) _____ 10" Frying Pan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Pillow _____ Slippers _____ Watch _____ Bag for dirty clothes _____ Plastic bag for wet gear _____ Wallet _____ Extra Blanket _____ Insect Repellent (Non- Aerosol) _____ Sun Screen _____ Whistle with lanyard cord (max one per team) _____ Class B Uniform

CLOTHING ITEMS (suggested)	PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS (suggested)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Hiking Boots _____ Shoes/Sneakers (No sandals) _____ Underwear (extra) _____ Socks (extra) _____ Pants/Shorts (extra) _____ Shirts (extra) _____ Sweatshirt _____ Jacket _____ Hat/Cap 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Soap _____ Towel & wash cloth _____ Deodorant _____ Tooth Brush & Tooth Paste _____ Comb/Brush

ALL MEDICINE WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE ADULT ADVISOR (Even Aspirin or Tylenol)

**SPECIAL DIETS WILL BE REPORTED TO YOUR SPONSOR AND ADVISORS.
ADDITIONALLY, THE KITCHEN MUST BE NOTIFIED THREE WEEKS IN ADVANCE OF THE CAMPOUT SO PROPER ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE.**

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT SEND STYROFOAM OR PAPER PRODUCTS TO THE CAMPSITE.

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Mandatory Permission Form

Dear Parent or Guardian of:

(Print)	First	Middle	Last	Gender
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All permission slips and health reports will be checked by Adult Advisors before leaving for the camp area. Please ensure this Permission Form is properly signed and dated.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Oakland & Macomb County Youth Campout will be held on the weekend of September 8, 9 & 10, 2023. The site of the event is Multi-Lakes Conservation Association, Inc. Your child will fire a single shot, twenty-two (.22) rifle under direct supervision of an NRA instructor and Multi-Lakes Range Instructor. They will also be required to run or walk at a fast pace, not more than ¾ of a mile, through fields and woods. They will be fed four (4) meals from a field kitchen. Campers must provide their own camping gear and eating utensils. They should bring a table knife, fork, and spoon; an insulated cup **WITH** handle for hot and cold drinks; and a **10-inch fry pan** to use as a plate (see Equipment Checklist). Please check your child's equipment before they leave for the campout so they will have a happy and fun filled weekend. (**No Styrofoam or paper cups or plates aloud at this campsite**)

The sponsoring V.F.W Post# _____ & City _____ or Parent/Guardian/Adult Advisor will provide the transportation to and from the campout. All campers will sleep out Friday, September 8, and Saturday, September 9, 2023. Campsite will close at 11:30 AM on Sunday, September 10, 2023.

My child _____
(Print) First Middle Last

Has permission to attend and participate in the activities for the weekend of September 8, 9 & 10, 2023. In consideration of the benefits to be derived, we expressly waver all claims against the Veterans of Foreign Wars, its Posts, County Councils, District, State, National, Multi-Lakes Conservation Association Inc, or their representatives, on account of any accident, injury, illness, or other damage that may occur in connection with, or incident to this activity. The camper is in good physical condition, unless otherwise noted at the bottom of this Mandatory Permission Form. If any medication is required, the medication or type of precaution, or treatment will be provided to the Adult Advisor by name, amount, frequency and conditions under which it is to be given and also written on the reverse side of this Mandatory Permission Form. The Adult Advisor will have custody of all medication and administer it as directed by parent or doctor. Advise your camper that they are also responsible for reminding the Adult Advisor of their medical requirements.

If any child is in need of a special diet because of health reasons or doctor's request, the Adult Advisor, the Campout Director, and camp kitchen staff should be notified **three weeks** in advance so that arrangements can be made.

Parent or Guardian Signature	Date
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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, NOTIFY

Please do not use Post Office box numbers for addresses.
Please print or type all information below.

Parent/Guardian Name	Address with zip
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Home Phone Number	Cell or Pager
Other Contact	Address with zip
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Phone Number	Relationship

In case of any health and or medical emergency, I hereby give my permission to the closest available medical facility or doctor to treat the above named youth in regard to such health and or medical emergency. I am to be notified immediately or as soon as possible of said emergency.

Parent/Guardian Signature (required)	Date
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Photo Release Form for Minors (if under 18)

The Veteran's of Foreign Wars has my permission to use my or my child's photograph publicly to promote the Oakland and Macomb County Youth Campout. I understand that the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____