

BSA Aquatics Supervision: Swimming and Water Rescue & BSA Aquatics Supervision Paddle Craft Safety to offered at Lost Lake Camp

The Aquatics Committee of the Midnight Sun Council is pleased to announce the offering of these two training opportunities during Lost Lake Summer Camp. These courses will be offered during all three weeks of camp. The courses are open to any registered Scout or Scouter who is age 16 or older and certification will be for three years. The training takes roughly eight hours for each course. The cost of a single course is \$25.00 per person. If a participant sign-ups for both courses at the same time the cost for both is \$40.00. The cost includes all of the course material and instruction.

It is Council policy that any unit that wishes to conduct any aquatic activity, whether it is swimming or boating, at least one member of the unit actually present and participating in the activity, must have the appropriate skills course in order for the activity to occur. The only exception is if the swimming activity is held at a location where a professional lifeguard is provided by the venue.

The current Aquatic policy is:

- Units need to meet the requirements for trained leaders with Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense and related first aid training as required on the local tour permit.
- The Midnight Sun Council policy for when a local tour permit is required will apply including the rules for high adventure activities and age appropriate activities.
- The Council's Canoe Use policy will remain in effect.
- When Scouts are demonstrating the skills for 7b and 7c for 2nd Class, 9b and 9c for 1st Class, or the Aquanaut Activity Pin, outside Lost Lake Camp, the skills must be demonstrated in the presence of someone that has one of the following current certifications; BSA Lifeguard, Aquatic Instructor BSA, or a Red Cross Lifeguard.
- When Cub Scouts are conducting these activities outside their family or Lost Lake Camp, then the skills must be demonstrated in the presence of someone that has one of the following current certifications; BSA Lifeguard, Aquatic Instructor BSA, or a Red Cross Lifeguard.

As of July 31, 2009 the Midnight Sun Council Aquatic Policy will be:

- Units need to meet the requirements for trained leaders with Swimming and Water Rescue or Paddle Craft Safety and related first aid training as required by the local tour permit and the Midnight Sun Council, BSA.
- The Midnight Sun Council policy for when a local tour permit is required will apply including the rules for high adventure activities and age appropriate activities.
- The Council's Canoe Use policy will remain in effect.
- When Scouts are demonstrating the skills for 7b and 7c for 2nd Class, 9b and 9c for 1st Class, or the Aquanaut Activity Pin, outside Lost Lake Camp, the skills must be demonstrated in the presence of someone that has one of the following

current certifications; BSA Lifeguard, Aquatic Instructor BSA, someone holding a current Swimming and Water Rescue certification or a Red Cross Lifeguard.

- When Cub Scouts are conducting these activities outside their family or Lost Lake Camp, then the skills must be demonstrated in the presence of someone that has one of the following current certifications; BSA Lifeguard, Aquatic Instructor BSA, someone holding a current Swimming and Water Rescue certification or a Red Cross Lifeguard.