



## **YMCA Camp Kon-O-Kwee Spencer**

126 Nagel Road, Fombell, PA 16123

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Camp Kon-O-Kwee is a special community that builds confidence for life through the principles of Belonging, Accomplishment, Adventure and Leadership. We've established the following standards to sustain an environment in which every member of the camp community can feel welcome and respected. **We ask that all campers and parents/ guardians read and sign this code together before your session at camp.** If understood, both the camper and the parent/guardian should sign their name and submit to 126 Nagel Road Fombell, PA 16123 to complete your registration.

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### **RESPECT**

- Campers will be respectful and cooperative toward others and will contribute positively to the community
- Campers will be careful that their actions won't hurt other campers' feelings or hurt them physically
- Campers will respect nature by taking only photos and leaving only footprints – Plants, animals and minerals will only be disturbed during a structured activity led by a trained staff member.

### **PERSONAL SPACE AND PROPERTY**

- Campers will only enter their own cabin and their own village.
- If campers need to enter their cabin between program areas and activities, they will only do so supervised by a counselor or CIT.
- Aside from their own cabin, campers will only enter buildings where they have an assigned activity.
- Campers will be respectful of the personal property of other campers/staff and will only borrow property with clear, expressed permission from the owner. Any borrowed property will be returned.
- Campers will be respectful of camp property.
- Campers will never mark, deface or destroy camp or personal property or nature.
- Campers will leave all pets at home rather than bringing them to camp.
- Campers will be transported to camp and will not bring their own vehicles.

### **EXPRESSION**

- Campers must be respectful in their expression through apparel, language, gestures, or writing, without being profane, obscene, humiliating, degrading, threatening, harassing, hateful, or in any way offensive in reference to race, religion, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexual orientation, culture, ability, or belief.

### **MEDICINE**

- Campers must keep prescription or non-prescription medicine at the infirmary with the nurse and not in their cabins or on their person. All medications must be turned into the camp nurse during Check-In and will be administered by the nurse or counselor (epi-pens & inhalers). Any special circumstances must be cleared by the nurse during Check-In.

### **ELECTRONICS**

- Electronic equipment, such as TVs, cellular phones or handheld video games must be left at home and is not allowed at camp. Such equipment will be confiscated and returned to parents upon departure. Campers may bring their own personal music players but may only use them in their own beds during rest hour or lights out.
- Only one piece of electronic equipment may be plugged in per electrical outlet. Power strips or other devices may not be used to add additional pieces of equipment.

### **VALUABLES**

- All valuables are brought to camp at your own risk. We do not recommend that you bring valuables or expensive clothing to camp.
- Camp is not responsible for the theft of or damage to any personal property.

### **DANGEROUS PROPERTY**

- Campers may not possess knives, weapons, fireworks, aerosol cans, matches, or lighters at camp.
- Campers may not possess tobacco products, alcohol, or other illegal substances at camp.
- Dangerous property will be confiscated and may result in the camper's expulsion from camp.

**PRANKS**

- Pranks are only allowed if classified as a "Commando Act of Kindness" and is approved by the Program Director, Resident Camp Director or the Executive Director.
- No prank will be allowed which is emotionally hurtful, compromises safety, involves trespassing within someone's personal space, or is destructive or wasteful of personal or camp property.

**BOUNDARIES**

- Campers will report to and stay within the program area to which they are assigned at all times.
- During Rest Hour, campers will stay within the limits of the cabin or village as described on check-in day unless accompanied by a counselor.
- Campers must stay in their cabins from the end of evening program to wake-up call except to use the bathroom.
- Campers will only enter program areas or approach waterfront areas when accompanied by a staff member.

**SAFETY**

- Campers will comply with all rules. General safety rules will be introduced on check-in day. Safety rules specific to a program area will be introduced before campers use that program area.
- Campers will protect their feet by wearing closed-toe shoes or sneakers at all times. Flip-flops (and bare feet) will only be worn at the pool, inside the cabin, and to/from/in the shower house.

**PHYSICAL DISPLAYS OF AFFECTION**

- Physical displays of affection or of a romantic nature are not allowed under any circumstances.

**PHONE**

Campers may not use personal mobile phones, the phones at camp, or receive phone calls. All phone messages will be passed along through staff except under the supervision of the Resident Camp Director.

**FOOD**

Campers may not store or eat food in their cabin at any time as it attracts unwanted animals and insects.

**SWIMMING**

All campers must take a lifeguard-led swim test for their safety to use the swimming pool. The area in which campers are allowed to swim may be limited, based on their assessed swimming ability.

Camper Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION** – PLEASE SHARE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS YOU SEE APPROPRIATE -THIS INFORMATION IS VIEWED BY CAMP ADMINISTRATION AND THE INDIVIDUAL CABIN COUNSELOR ONLY

**Camper's Chief Interests and Hobbies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Does Camper Have Any Fears?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Swimming Ability:** Non-Swimmer      Poor Swimmer      Fair Swimmer      Excellent Swimmer

**What Would Your Child Like to Learn at Camp:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In What Way, If Any, Have You Had Difficulty with Your Child:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sleep Habits:**      Light      Moderate      Heavy      Sleepwalk      Bad Dreams

**Does Camper Wet the Bed?**      Yes      No      **How Frequently?** \_\_\_\_\_