



## **Fire Safety Guidelines for Camping at Lake Whitney Ranch**

To ensure the safety of all campers and the protection of Lake Whitney Ranch, every club must comply with the Fire Safety Requirements Checklist while camping on the grounds. A special Safety Team, identifiable by their red vests, will conduct random campsite inspections throughout the day and across the weekend. These inspections will follow the checklist provided and verify that all groups meet the necessary fire safety standards.

Please note that these fire safety inspections are completely independent and unrelated to the campsite inspections performed by area coordinators for points. The Safety Team's sole focus is ensuring compliance with fire safety regulations, and their findings will not impact any scores or rankings for campsite evaluations.

If a club is found out of compliance, they will have one hour to correct the issue. Failure to do so will result in removal from the campgrounds by law enforcement. Our goal is to create a safe and enjoyable camping experience for everyone, and we appreciate your cooperation in following these essential safety guidelines.

### **Fire Safety Requirements Checklist for Camping Groups**

1. **10-pound (10 lbs) Class ABC fire extinguisher** in good working condition and easily accessible near the cooking area. Visible signs or labels are used to mark the extinguisher's location.
2. All campers must know the location and proper use of the fire extinguisher.
3. All fuels (e.g., propane, gasoline, lighter fluid) are stored at least **15 feet away** from any heat source, open flame, or campfire in certified, leak-proof containers.
4. Campfires are in designated above-ground fire pits placed in cleared areas with a **5-foot distance** of vegetation and flammable materials (tents, canopies, tarps, vehicles).  
\*Campfires are subject to the county fire guidelines and restrictions without any exceptions.
5. No fire will be left unattended at any time and under any circumstance. Any unattended fire must be fully extinguished with water or dirt before leaving or going to sleep.
6. If cooking under a tarp or canopy, there must be a minimum of 5 feet of clearance in all directions between the cooking surface and the tarp or canopy to ensure adequate space for heat and smoke to escape.

7. Every club must have a developed emergency plan, including designated meeting points and evacuation routes, in case of fire.

\* This plan must be presented to the inspectors upon request.

8. No obstructions of the emergency 10-foot-wide corridor behind every campsite. This includes but is not limited to ball play, vehicles, tents, trailers, camping materials, and water reserves.

Thank you for your commitment to keeping our campers and campgrounds safe.