



YMCA CAMP OCOEE

Main Camp Retreat Handbook

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Welcome to Camp Ocoee!

Our mission is: To provide experiences, under a strong Christian emphasis, that will strengthen the spirit, mind and body of all its participants. During your stay we will provide an engaging program while fostering the physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being of our participants. We will promote character development and encourage learning.

We welcome you to an extraordinary place where the combination of beautiful surroundings, creative staff, and a strong spirit of community create a rejuvenating and unforgettable experience for your group.

Whether you're a veteran or first timer, we are very excited to have you at YMCA Camp Ocoee. This handbook is filled with useful information to help you prepare for your retreat, have an enjoyable trip, and gain a better understanding of the Camp Ocoee experience. Please read through this handbook to ensure an enjoyable, safe, and fun experience.

Meals at Camp Ocoee

Our cooks and kitchen staff prepare delicious meals. All meals are served buffet style. At breakfast each morning fresh fruit and cereal will be available along with the hot breakfast. Each lunch and dinner a salad bar and sandwich bar are available in addition to the main entrée.

- Standard meal times 8am Breakfast, 12:30 Lunch, 6pm Dinner/meal times can be adjusted to meet group needs
- Please arrive on time for meals
- After the meal, take all cups, silverware, and plates to the kitchen, wipe the top of the table, sweep below the table, and organize chairs.

Our foodservice staff will need to know about special dietary restrictions (Vegetarians, Vegans, food allergies) at least two weeks prior to arrival. Please call the Group Director to share these needs.

Program Options

YMCA Camp Ocoee offer several program options for groups. Visit www.ymcacampocoee.org/program-options to view the list of available programs. Contact the Group Camping Director if you would like to customize a program for your group.

Nuts and Bolts

Housing: All buildings on camp have electricity and bathroom facilities. The Camper Cabins are open air screen buildings.

Healthcare: There is no designated health care provider. The group leader is responsible for the healthcare needs and should bring over the counter medications and first aid supplies.

Internet Access: Internet access is only at the Camp Office and Dining Hall over WiFi. These access points can be password protected if you prefer.

Cellular Service: Cellular service on camp is spotty. The only service that gets a signal is Verizon. If you need to make a call please see one of the Camp Ocoee staff to use a land line. A land line is also available in the Health Center.

Outfitter Store: The camp store, known as the Outfitter, can be opened for your group. Please let the Group Director know when we can add this to your schedule. Cash, credit card, and checks are accepted at the store.

What to Pack for Camp Ocoee

Please label everything with your first and last name.

Bedding

- Sleeping bag
- Blanket
- Sheets (single bed)
- Pillow

Clothing-

- Undergarments
- T-Shirts
- Raincoat/Poncho
- Hat/ Bandana
- Sweatshirt
- Sandals*
- Pants
- Shorts
- Socks
- Pajamas
- Shoes (athletic)
- Swim Wear

* Sandals with a tight back strap are the perfect shoes for camp. Flip Flops/Crocs are not appropriate camp shoes.

Personal Hygiene

- Shower Caddy
- Wash Cloth
- Shampoo
- Tooth Paste
- Sunscreen
- Insect Repellant (non-aerosol)
- Towels
- Soap
- Toothbrush
- Comb/Brush
- Deodorant

Other Items (optional)

- Bible
- Camera
- Musical instrument
- Camp Chair
- Water Bottle
- Notebook
- Day Pack
- Small Clip Fan for bed
- Flashlight

What to Leave at Home

- Alcoholic beverages
- Tobacco products
- Knives, guns, or other weapons
- PETS!

Camp Guidelines

- Activity areas are off limits unless a Camp Ocoee staff member is present
- Swim only in the designated swim area (Waterfront near Dining Lodge)
- Help us keep camp clean of trash by using the garbage cans found all around camp
- No Smoking
- Campfires should only be built in existing fire pits and an adult must be present at all campfires
- Once you have unloaded your vehicles please move them to one of the parking areas. (Camp office and by the Campfire Circle)
- Everyone wears a lifejacket when in a boat

Main Camp Cabin Template

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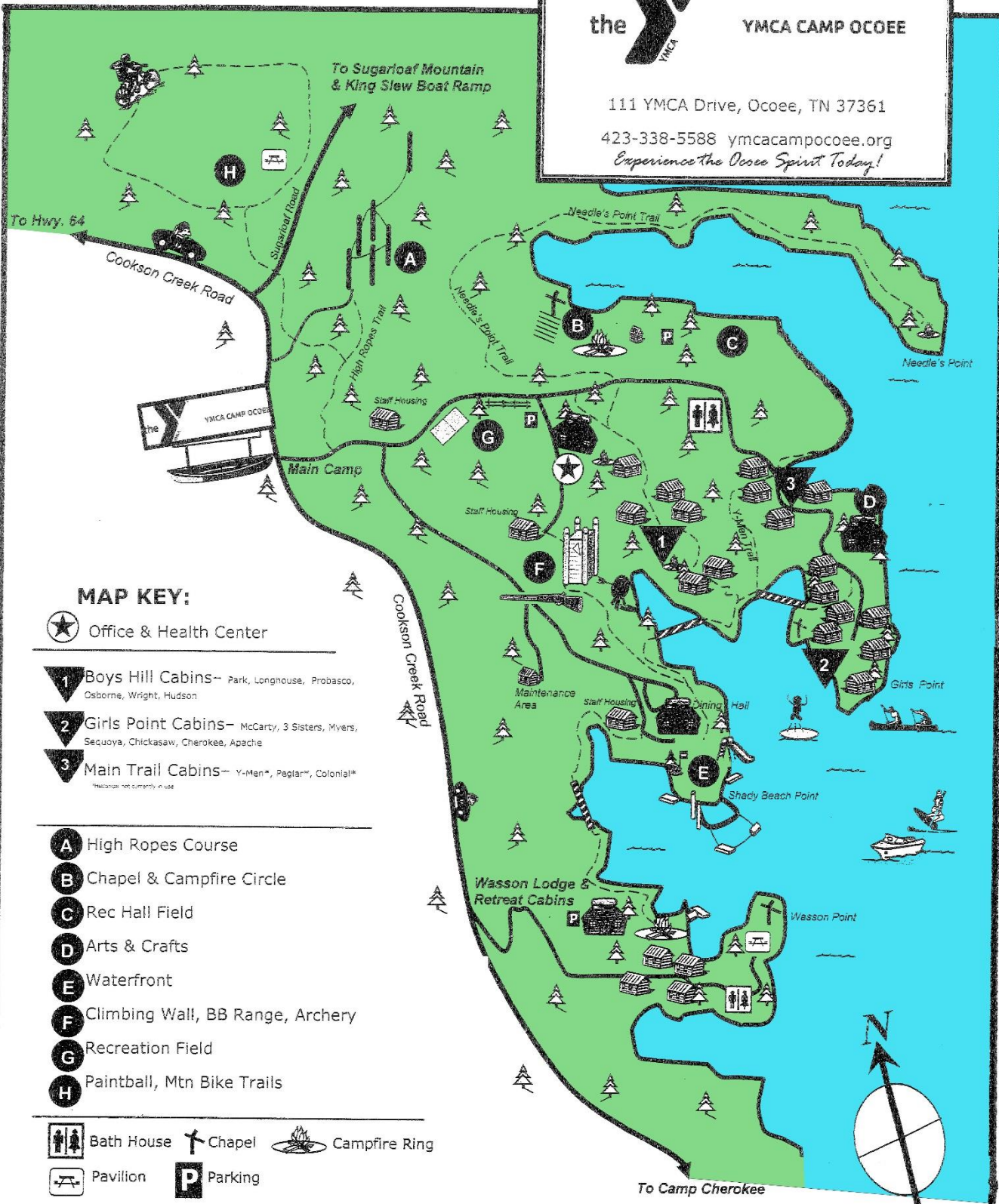


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MAP KEY:

Office & Health Center

1 Boys Hill Cabins-- Park, Longhouse, Probasco, Osborne, Wright, Hudson

2 Girls Point Cabins-- McCarty, 3 Sisters, Myers, Sequoia, Chickasaw, Cherokee, Apache

3 Main Trail Cabins-- Y-Man*, Peglar*, Colonial*
*National not currently in use

A High Ropes Course

B Chapel & Campfire Circle

C Rec Hall Field

D Arts & Crafts

E Waterfront

F Climbing Wall, BB Range, Archery

G Recreation Field

H Paintball, Mtn Bike Trails

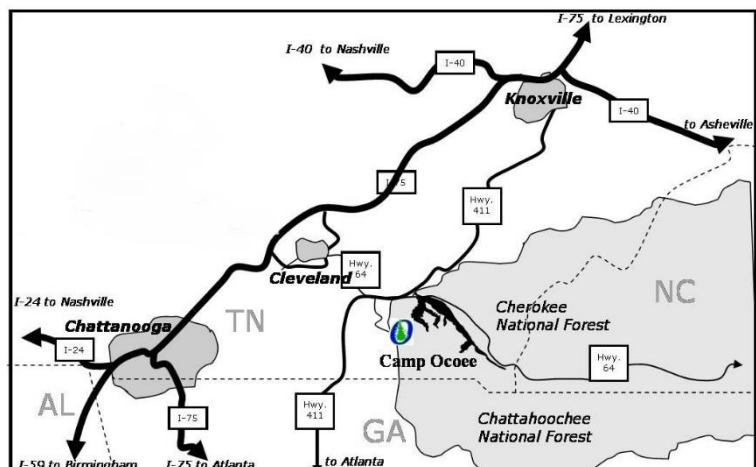
Bath House Chapel Campfire Ring

Pavilion Parking

CARING • HONESTY • RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • FAITH

Directions to YMCA Camp Ocoee

For directions from your location, go to www.google.com and type in YMCA Camp Ocoee.



DO NOT USE A GPS TO FIND CAMP OCOEE. PLEASE USE THE DIRECTIONS BELOW.

To Camp Ocoee from Chattanooga:

Take I-24 East toward Knoxville/Atlanta

Take I-75 North toward Knoxville

Take first Cleveland exit (Exit 20) - Highway 64/74E

Turn right off of exit ramp toward Cherokee National Forest

Travel approximately 6.5 miles.

Take Highway 64 EAST to Ocoee River/Cherokee National Forest toward Murphy, North Carolina

Travel approximately 10 miles.

Highway 64 will go from a 4 lane to 2 lane highway just before Cookson Creek Rd.

Turn RIGHT onto Cookson Creek Road

Travel on Cookson Creek road for approximately 3.8 miles. *Very curvy road"

Turn left into the Camp Ocoee entrance

To Camp Ocoee from Nashville:

Take I-24 East toward Chattanooga

Follow steps 1-11 above

To Camp Ocoee from Knoxville:

Take I-75 South toward Chattanooga

Take Exit 25- Highway 60 toward Cleveland/Dayton

Turn right onto Georgetown Rd. NW—this becomes Hwy. 60

Follow Steps 6-11 above

To Camp Ocoee from Atlanta:

Take I-75 North toward Dalton

Take Highway 411 North at Exit 293

Travel on Highway 411 North toward Cleveland, TN and Chatsworth travel approximately 65 miles

Take Highway 64 East to Ocoee River/Cherokee National Forest toward Murphy, North Carolina

Follow Steps 8-11 above

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