



New Forest Christian Camp

Behaviour Policy

Values

We expect campers to act respectfully at all times, whether on or off site. Campers are to behave in a mature, responsible way and respect the rights and dignity of others.

The expectations are that:

- Campers take Responsibility for their actions.
- Campers Respect themselves, each other, camp equipment and the environment.
- Honesty will be the basis for all relationships and interactions.
- Campers will be Caring in their relationships with others.

Campers should talk to their tent officer or another leader if they are uncomfortable with any experiences, or need assistance while at camp.

Examples of unacceptable behaviour:

- Refusing to follow behaviour guidelines or camp rules
- Using profanity, vulgarity or obscenity
- Stealing or damaging property (personal or camp property)
- Refusal to participate in activities or cooperate with officers
- Disrupting an activity
- Leaving an activity without permission
- Endangering the health and safety of children and/or officers
- Use of illicit drugs, alcohol or tobacco (including vapes) or sexual conduct of any kind
- Teasing, making fun or bullying of other campers or officers
- Fighting of any kind

Discipline Procedures

When a camper does not follow the behaviour guidelines, we will take the following actions:

- In the first instance, the adult involved will redirect the camper to more appropriate behaviour.
- If inappropriate behaviour continues, the camper will be reminded of behaviour guidelines and camp rules, and the camper will be issued with their **first strike – verbal warning**.
- If a child's behaviour still does not meet expectations and is affecting the experience of other campers, he/she will be issued with their **second strike – Verbal warning**.
- If inappropriate behaviour continues and the camper is issued with their **final strike**, he/she camper will be **dismissed from camp**.



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At each **'strike'** an email will be sent to the child's parent/guardian explaining which strike they are receiving and why. This ensures that the parents are aware of the camps responses to any inappropriate behaviour.

NB: In cases of severe physical violence, dangerous behaviour or bullying toward another camper or officer, the camper may face immediate dismissal.

After camp

Camper fees are non-refundable if a camper is sent home for disciplinary reasons.

If a camper has received any strikes, NFCC reserves the right to refuse readmission in subsequent years. Their parents will be informed after camp of the reasons for these decisions.