

# North Carolina Lions Inc.

## Camp Dogwood for the Blind & Visually Impaired

### 2019 Rules and Regulations for Summer Session Campers

1. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs may be in a camper's possession or consumed by a camper while on camp premises or any camp transported off-campus trip. Any camper found in violation of this regulation will be sent home.
2. Medications:
  - If you will be turning your medications into the nurse all prescription medications must be in the original pharmacy bottle with the label intact. All other medications should be marked with camper's name and the label intact.
  - Should your medications or doses of your medications change from the medical form list; it is your responsibility to provide us with an updated list prior to or upon your arrival at camp.
3. Should your medical conditions change from the medical form; it is your responsibility to update this information prior to or upon your arrival at camp.
4. Should you require a wheelchair, walker, cane, raised toilet seat, etc., it is necessary for you to bring your own. *Camp Dogwood does not furnish these items.* We do have a limited number of shower chairs available upon request.
5. Any camper who refuses medical treatment deemed necessary by the nurse and/or the camp director will have to leave camp as soon as transport can be arranged.
6. Pets: No pets are allowed. **Certified** service animals are welcome. Owners are responsible for the behavior of their service animals and any damage caused by them. Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their service animal as well. We have a dog run behind the Lineberger dorm. Owners are required to remain with their dogs while using the dog run. *No unattended dogs are allowed in the dog run. Dogs are not allowed on furniture.*
7. Smoking Policy –Smoking is only allowed in a marked designated area. NO SMOKING is allowed in ROOMS. If it is detected the room has been smoked in YOU WILL BE CHARGED a \$200.00 Cleaning fee.
8. Weapons: Weapons of any type are not permitted on campus, even with permit.

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9. Visitors: All visitors are welcome, but must sign in immediately upon arrival at front desk in the Joyce Lodge, and receive a visitors badge to be worn while on property. Visitors are not allowed to participate in camp activities without permission of the Camp Director. Visitors are not permitted in other buildings without permission of the Camp Director
10. All minor children, under the age of 18, must be accompanied by their parent or guardian at all times.
11. If for any reason you are unable to attend your scheduled session of camp, please notify the camp office as soon as possible by calling 828-478-2135 . Please leave a message including your name and telephone number if no one is available to take your call.
12. Any camper who has a legal guardian must attend camp with that legal guardian or that legal guardian must provide a caregiver for the camper during camp. The substitute caregiver must be authorized to make decisions, medical and otherwise, for the camper. Legal guardian caregivers will also need to complete a camper application packet. Legal Guardian caregivers must be at least 18 years old.
13. All campers must be able to eat, bathe, dress, and toilet independently, otherwise they must bring a caregiver to assist them. Caregivers will need to complete a camper application packet. Caregivers must be at least 18 years old.
14. After receiving orientation on the arrival Sunday, campers must be able to get themselves out of their building should a fire alarm sound. Campers needing assistance may bring a caregiver with them. Caregivers must complete a camper application packet and receive confirmation from us. Caregivers must be at least 18 years old.
15. All campers must be able to independently make all of their medical care decisions. If not they must bring a caregiver to fill this role. Caregivers must complete a camper application packet and receive a confirmation from us. Caregivers must be at least 18 years old.
18. Please note! If you are attending with a required caregiver or legal guardian, you must be with them at all times. This includes off campus trips and all activities.

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19. We are applying for a fishing license waiver from the wildlife department for the camp season. If we receive this, you may fish from our property without a license if you desire. However, we recommend that you obtain a free lifetime license from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission. This form is available online at [www.ncwildlife.org/License/documents/FishingLicBlindAppl\\_090109.pdf](http://www.ncwildlife.org/License/documents/FishingLicBlindAppl_090109.pdf) or, by calling phone # 888-248-6834.
20. Acceptance of tips and or gifts from camp guests to staff, counselors, or volunteers is strictly prohibited.
21. Campers are required to know how to swim and must wear a life jacket if they are to go tubing.
21. Cash and checks are accepted as payments in the camp store. Credit/Debit cards will be accepted with a minimum charge of \$10.

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### Guide for Caregivers at Camp Dogwood

This document is designed to give you, as a caregiver, an idea of what is expected as you accompany a camper to Camp Dogwood. Please read over this document, to help insure everyone has the best time possible at camp. If you have any questions, please contact Camp office at Camp Dogwood, at 828-478-2135. It is recommended that you go over this sheet as well as the rules and regulations with the camper you will be assisting.

A caregiver's role here at camp is an important one. In many instances when a camper needs a caregiver, he/she would not be able to come to camp otherwise. Your role is to ensure that the camper you are accompanying gets the most out of the program. Each caregiver's duties at camp will be different, because each camper is different. As a general rule, your role is to provide whatever assistance your camper needs. Examples are: medication administration, personal care assistance (i.e. toileting, bathing, grooming, dressing, and eating), mobility, etc. A legal guardian caregiver's role is the same as a caregiver with the additional responsibility of making any and all decisions, medical and otherwise for their camper. A caregiver should be with their camper at all times. If campers leave Camp Dogwood, caregivers must accompany them (i.e. shopping, bowling, etc.). Caregivers will be assigned a room with their camper. If you have any questions about your responsibilities, versus counselor/staff responsibilities, please ask us.

Caregivers are not responsible for meal service. This is provided by the staff. A caregiver is not responsible for doing anything for their camper that the housekeeping staff would do for any other campers. For example, changing and laundering of soiled bed linens, trash disposal, or any maintenance of the camper's living quarters.

Many people who attend as caregivers are friends or family of the campers, and find their week here very enjoyable. The opportunity to spend quality one on one time with your friend or family member is a valuable one. The Lions motto is "We Serve". This sentiment is integral to our program and we hope you will take it to heart when you accompany a camper to Camp Dogwood. We hope you will enjoy your stay at with us and return again and again.

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**THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT CAMP**

**CAMP PHONE & ADDRESS:**

The Camp Dogwood telephone number is (828) 478-2155 (x227 front desk, x229 Camp & Retreat Director). This number is for campers to call for camp information or emergency calls from family while campers are here. Personal phone calls may be made from the dormitory phones by dialing 9 for an outside line. You will need to use a calling card or call collect for long distance calls from these phones. The camp address is 7062 Camp Dogwood Dr. Sherrills Ford, NC 28673.

**WHEN DO I ARRIVE?**

Please plan to arrive between 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday your first scheduled day. However, if this is not possible, please contact the camp director to make other arrangements as soon as possible. **Please note: The Camp Dogwood gates will not open until 12:00 p.m. on Sunday.** Registration will be in the Lodge and the staff is not available until registration time. No food is served until the evening meal at 5:00 p.m. If you are traveling via private transportation, please do not arrive before 12:00 p.m. If you travel by public transportation please notify the camp office, prior to your date of arrival, of your arrival time, and be sure to attach an identification tag to your luggage. **If traveling by Amtrak train or Greyhound Bus please schedule your arrival for 1:10p.m.** We only provide pick up service for Sunday arrivals at 3:00pm only, unless other arrangements are made with the camp director. **Train and bus schedules may change due to Station arrival/departure times. Info. Will be finalized closer to dates of camp.**

**WHEN DO I LEAVE?**

If someone is picking you up, they need to arrive **BEFORE 10:00 a.m. ON FRIDAY.** Camp Staff is released from duty at 10:00 am. **If you are traveling by Amtrak train or Greyhound Bus please schedule your departure time at 6:45am ON FRIDAY.** We only make one drop off run into the city of Charlotte on FRIDAY mornings. Departure tickets must be obtained before your arrival. We will only take those campers who are departing by bus/train on that FRIDAY. No meal is served after breakfast. **Train and bus schedules may change due to Station arrival/departure times. Info. Will be finalized closer to dates of camp.**

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### WHAT DO I BRING TO CAMP?

1. No need to bring linens. Bedding, towels, washcloths and soap are furnished by us.
2. Clothing: Bring enough clothes for seven days. There are no laundry facilities available for campers. Casual clothes are recommended. Be sure to bring your swimsuit, **water shoes**, beach towels and plenty of sunscreen if you intend to participate in waterfront activities. **Please be sure to tag all luggage with the name, address, and phone number of the camper (lost luggage is no fun).**
3. Please bring any needed toiletries.
4. Camp Dogwood/NCLI is not responsible for the personal property of campers. We will only be responsible for money and valuables checked at the office and left in our safe.
5. Money: You do not need to bring money unless you wish to go off campus shopping, snacks or drinks out of the vending machines, or purchase merchandise in the camp store. **Items in the Souvenir Store include: shirts, caps, bags, pens, and more. The souvenir store accepts: cash, check and debit with a min. \$10.00 purchase.** Ice cream, drinks and snacks are available every day from .50 to \$1.00. Snow Cones are available every day for free. Cash and checks are accepted in the camp store. Vending Machines also accept Debit/Credit cards as well.
7. **No special diets are available at camp. Sugar free desserts are available at lunch and dinner.** You may want to bring your preferred snacks and beverages with you. Call ahead with menu questions.
8. You may wish to bring a laptop or a tablet with you. Wireless Internet (WIFI) access is available in all buildings and dorms for free.