



2023 to 2026 Texas Trails Council Properties Usage Guidelines

The mission of the Texas Trails Council Camp Properties Committee is to improve the appearance, sustainability, and value of Camp Billy Gibbons and Camp Tonkawa. In cooperation with the Council staff and other committees, Camp Properties Committee volunteers carry out initiatives in five main areas: Property Administration (plans, policies, budgets), Capital Construction (building projects), Conservation (conservation plans and sustainability), Camp Improvement (maintenance, repairs, and service projects), and Facilities Marketing (off-season Scout use and non-Scout rentals).

Camp Tonkawa



Camp Tonkawa is nestled under huge oak trees in southern Taylor County, Texas. Located about 14 miles south-southwest of Abilene and about 3 miles west of Buffalo Gap, the camp is on FM 89 next to the Abilene State Park. Camp Tonkawa is a camp where the Spirit of Scouting is still strong. Songs, campfires, fellowship, and outdoor adventures make it an excellent Scouting adventure for Scouts of all ages. The camp is also used by many Non-Scouting groups throughout the year such as 4-H, YWCA, Big Brothers / Big Sisters, Hunter Safety Education, and many other local organizations.

2023 to 2026 Fee Information...

| \$200 Deposit | Camp Tonkawa | | In-Council Scouting | Out of Council Scouting | Non- Scouting |
|------------------|----------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| * | Heat/AC | Dining Hall (Main Room Only) | \$175 | \$225 | \$275 |
| * | Heat/AC | Dining Hall & Kitchen | \$350 | \$375 | \$500 |
| * | Heat/AC | Mabee Training Center (Training Room/s Only) | \$100 | \$150 | \$200 |
| * | Heat/AC | Mabee Training Center (Whole Building) | \$200 | \$250 | \$300 |
| | Charge with Power | Basketball Court (Pavilion) | \$25 | \$50 | \$75 |
| | | Cagle Trading Post (Pavilion) | \$25 | \$50 | \$75 |
| * | Year Round | Bath House | \$45 | \$60 | \$80 |
| | Charge for Power | Beaver Lodge | \$25 | \$55 | \$75 |
| | Year Round | Staff Hut per each with Power | \$10 | \$15 | \$25 |
| | YPT | Camping/Day visit | No Charge | \$2/Person | \$5/Person |
| * | Lifeguards | Pool Full Day (8 Hours) | \$150 | \$200 | \$300 |
| * | Lifeguards | Pool Half Day (4 Hours) | \$75 | \$100 | \$150 |
| | Rangemaster | Archery Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | Rangemaster | B. B. Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | NCS Cert/NRA | Rifle Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | NCS Cert/NRA | Shotgun Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | NCS Cert | Climbing Tower - ½ day | \$10/Person | \$20/Person | \$50/Person |
| | NCS Cert | COPE Course - ½ Day | \$10/Person | \$20/Person | \$50/Person |
| * | | Camp wide usage fee | \$500 + Facilities | \$1000 + Facilities | \$2500 + Facilities |

| Require | | Equipment | In- Council Scouting | Out of Council Scouting | Non-Scouting |
|---------|---------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | Rangemaster | Archery | \$5/Bow | \$15/Bow | NA |
| | Rangemaster | B.B. Guns | \$5/BB Gun | \$15/BB Gun | NA |
| ** | NCS Cert/NRA | Rifles (Bring own ammo) | \$15/Rifle | \$30/Rifle | NA |
| ** | NCS Cert/NRA | Shotguns (Bring own ammo & clays) | \$15/Shotgun | \$30/Shotgun | NA |
| | Safety Afloat | Canoe/Kayak Rental | \$20/Canoe | NA | NA |
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Dining Hall Kitchen: MUST have at least 3 Adults Trained and Certified in Texas Food Handler.

Swimming Pool: Scouts BSA MUST have at least 2 Adults Trained in Safe Swim Defense.

Cub Scouts MUST have Lifeguards (1 Lifeguard per every 10 people in the water)

(**) All Rifles, and Shotguns rental Price is 50% off if your Unit agrees to Clean the Firearm before use.

(*) Deposit of \$200, to be paid to the Camp Ranger at time of check-in. Deposit will be refunded with verification from Camp Ranger that facilities were clean, undamaged and all equipment is inventoried.

(NA) indicates Not Available to Non-Scouting organizations.

(NOTE THE CAMPSITE WILL BE WINTERIZED AND WILL NOT HAVE WATER AVAILABLE FROM NOVEMBER 15TH TO MARCH 1ST)

Please be prepared to provide proof of payment with Camp Ranger at check-in when you arrive at camp.

If you are unable to keep your reservation, please let the Council office and the Camp Ranger to let them know:

Council Scout Shop:
325-677-2688

Council Camp Ranger: Bobby Goodson
706-346-0599

Facility Refund Policy

All fees are transferable to an available alternate date.

Fees are refundable if request is made to Texas Trails Council office more than two (2) weeks before Usage, after that only a 50% refund can be given up until 4 days before Usage, no refund can be given after four (4) days prior to Usage. All refunds requests must be submitted in writing to: Accounting - Refund Request, 3811 North 1st St., Abilene, TX 79603 or by email to: 561refund@scouting.org

Camp Billy Gibbons



Camp Billy Gibbons is located on Brady Creek 13 miles south of Richland Springs, TX and is one of the older camps in this area. The camp is operated year-round and is used for Summer Camp, Order of the Arrow, Camporees, Junior Leader Training, Boy Scout Leader Basic Training, and weekend camping by Scout Troops.

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|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| * | Heat/AC | Dining Hall | \$175 | \$225 | \$275 |
| * | Heat/AC | Dining Hall & Kitchen | \$350 | \$375 | \$500 |
| * | Heat/AC | Gee Lodge | \$75 | \$100 | \$150 |
| | Charge for Power | Iley Pavilion | \$25 | \$50 | \$75 |
| * | Mar - Oct | Bath House | \$45 | \$60 | \$80 |
| | Lifeguards | Swimming Area | No Charge | No Charge | NA |
| | NCS Cert | Archery Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | NCS Cert | Rifle Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | NCS Cert | Cowboy Action Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| | NCS Cert | Shotgun Range | \$25 | \$50 | NA |
| YPT | Year Round | Camp/Day Visit | No Charge | \$2/Person | \$5/Person |
| \$100 Deposit | | | In-Council Scouting | Out of Council Scouting | Non- Scouting |
| | Equipment | | | | |
| | NCS Cert | Archery | \$5/Bow | \$10/Bow | NA |
| ** | NCS Cert | Rifles (Bring own ammo) | \$15/Rifle | \$30/Rifle | NA |

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|----|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| ** | NCS Cert | Shotguns (Bring own ammo & clays) | \$15/Shotgun | \$30/Shotgun | NA |
| | Safety Afloat | Canoe/Kayak Rental | \$15/Canoe | NA | NA |
| * | | Camp wide usage fee | \$500 + Facilities | \$1000 + Facilities | \$2500 + Facilities |

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Non-Scout Use of Council Facilities...

It is the policy of the Boy Scouts of America that a Scout camp may be made available on a limited basis to non-scouting organizations that have supported Scouting or whose missions are compatible with Scouting, as a service to the community, under the following conditions.

- That it does not interfere with the use of the camp for its intended purposes by the BSA.
- That it does not interfere with Scout usage of the property.
- That the group shall provide qualified adult leadership plus additional trained staff in sufficient numbers to adequately conduct its programs and effectively provide for the safety, health, and well-being of all participants.
- That all standards and certifications as may be required by law or in keeping with accepted practices be complied with.
- That there be a definite written [Letter of Agreement for Camp Use](#), properly endorsed by both parties, that covers terms of use for the property, including a [Release and Indemnity/Hold-Harmless Agreement](#) and proof of adequate liability and other insurance coverage as appropriate.
- That preference shall be given to nonprofit organizations.
- That the guidelines found in Texas Trails Council *Risk Management Guide*, are followed.