

## Guideline Change Proposals

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### **Proposals:**

#### **Proposal 1**

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Page 7, Section 15, paragraph 4.

Original text: "Pit toilets (holes dug in the ground for disposal of human or animal waste), personal camp toilets, and private showers are not allowed. Violation of this guideline will result in probation or suspension."

***Show how the revised section is to read.***

"Pit toilets (holes dug in the ground for disposal of human or animal waste), personal camp toilets or porta-potties, and private showers are not allowed. Violation of this guideline will result in probation or suspension."

***Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?***

The added "or porta-potties" needs to be added so it's clear these are not allowed.

#### **Proposal 2**

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Child Care During Fair (page 10-11) and Lost Children (page 11)

***Show how the revised section is to read.***

25. Child Care During the Fair. The Oregon Country Fair operates Child Care facilities in several locations across the Fair property, which are available during the Fair for no charge. The Child Care Crew's chief goal is to create safe and pleasant places for children and families to play and to create their own

personal Fair experience. Please visit the OCF Child Care Crew's website for more information ([www.ocfchildcare.org](http://www.ocfchildcare.org)).

Sesame Street Child Care can be found at booth #333 near the top of the Fair across from the Ritz Sauna. Here you'll find a kids-only "formal" childcare wonderland for interested and potty-trained children (no bare butts, diapers or training pants!), with a professional staff, entertainment, arts & crafts, sensory, imagination and gross motor play areas.

Please limit the duration of your child's stay to two hours. The time limit may be flexible, as long as a responsible adult checks in with the children hourly. If there is no waiting list and the child is doing well, the parent can extend the child's time. Please consider the comfort of the children and the demands made on Child Care staff. Hungry, angry, or unwilling children may not be left with Child Care. Adults must complete a registration form for each child, including their full name, cell phone number, home address, booth number and location, or crew and shift locations before their children enter the secure area.

Wally's Way is near the front of the Fair between the Front Porch and Caravan Stages. This family-oriented, parent-supervised area is a safe and quiet(er) zone somewhat off the beaten path, where you'll find a full entertainment lineup, a library, rotating demonstrations, climbing structures and a playground. We encourage families to spread out a blanket and stay awhile!

Mellow Places are quiet, semi-private areas for the youngest among us to find some respite from the crowds, along with diaper-changing facilities, shade, limited seating, and a few activities geared for toddlers. There are three locations across Fair (adjacent to Sesame Street Child Care, on Wally's Way, and in Xavanadu). Adults must be in the company of a child and children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times. Bring your own diapers and supplies and pack everything out with you when you leave!

parental responsibility. Child Care is not a surrogate parent. Aside from kids checked in at Sesame Street Child Care, a responsible adult must supervise the children in their care at all times. We reserve the right to ask those who do not honor the protocol not to bring their children back to any Child Care area for the duration of the Fair.

## 26. Lost Children.

pre- and post-Fair. Lost children must be reported and/or taken to Quartermaster at Main Camp.

during Fair. Beginning on Thursday at noon through Monday at noon, the Child Care Crew provides 24-hour service for lost kids. Found children should be taken to the nearest Child Care location. Fair Central will be notified about any lost or found children. Parents/guardians should stop at any Info Booth to report a lost child.

during the sweep. parents/guardians with or without a wristband who become separated from children in their care should be directed to the Child Care information booth on Wally's Way. The Child Care Crew staff will work with Fair Central and Security to arrange the reunion or parents/guardians with children at that location. Found children will be taken to the closest Child Care area, either Wally's Way or Sesame Street.

after the sweep. All found children should be taken to the Wally's Way Child Care info booth. Security, Child Care, and Fair Central will work to reunite parents/guardians and children as quickly as possible. After 9:00 pm, all found children must be taken to the Wally's Way Child Care info booth.

***Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?***

Operational scope changes, general rule changes, reverting back to some pre-pandemic protocols, which were a mess. Please talk to us before making any substantive changes to what we have here. Thanks!

**Proposal 3**

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***Identify the proposed change by page and section number in the 2022 Guidelines. It would also be helpful to copy and paste the original text you would like to change or remove.***

1) Section 39 Environment

Invasive Species sub Paragraph

"To help prevent the invasion of the tree-killing beetle known as the emerald ash borer, do not bring firewood or wood pallets to the site. Ash wood (not milled lumber or finished craft items) may carry the pest."

2) Firewood Guideline proposal to be added in Section 17 Fire

Current wording 2nd to the last paragraph

"Burning painted or treated wood is prohibited at all times everywhere on OCF property"

***Show how the revised section is to read.***

1) Suggest change to read:

"To help prevent the invasion of the tree-killing beetle known as the emerald ash borer, and other harmful insects, fungi and blights, externally sourced firewood is not allowed, and use of wood pallets is discouraged."

2a) Suggest change to read:

Bringing externally sourced firewood to OCF property is prohibited. Site sourced firewood is available at Wood World and can be requested via Quarter Master or Site Employees.

2b) Suggest moving the above paragraph to the bottom on the Fire section with a sub header of "Firewood"

***Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?***

To clarify and expand our current firewood guideline and place in areas where it will be read/seen

**Proposal 4**

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Page 9 Section 17 and Page 34 Section 92. Replace both in whole with the following...

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(Please see Dropbox PDF copy for proper formatting)

**17. Fire.**

**In case of fire, notify the nearest information Booth or person with a Fair Radio (path rove, security post, etc.).**

All booths, camps, and camping vehicle(s) (e.g. trailer, RV, or motor home) must have at least one 2A 10BC Fire Extinguisher (such as a common 5lb Dry Chemical Extinguisher) regardless of whether your camp will use any open flames or not. Fire extinguishers must be re-certified each year or have a current year's receipt taped to the extinguisher. This rule applies at all times on the Fair Site. Please be prepared to show firefighting equipment to fire crew who may stop by to verify compliance.

Never allowed:

- Unattended flames of any kind including candles, cooking devices, and campfires.
- Tiki Torches.
- Any open flames inside of tents.
- Unpermitted campfires.

Allowed under the specified conditions:

- With a working 2A 10BC Fire Extinguisher present (such as a common 5lb Dry Chemical Extinguisher), the following may be used:
  - Covered candles.
  - Gas and kerosene camp stoves.
  - Propane stoves.
  - Propane fire pits (*propane fire pits require a minimum clearance to mineral soil 3' around the perimeter of the burner and 8' above the burner*).
- With a current year fire permit issued by the Fire Crew or the Site Manager, the following may be permitted:
  - Campfire.
  - Specialized fire applications for crafters and performers.

Separate Fire Permits will be issued for pre/post fair and for during fair.

Pre/post fair campfire permits are limited and determined by the Site Manager.

To obtain a fire permit during fair, contact Fire Crew for an inspection. Be certain you meet the requirements for a permit before requesting an inspection:

- Campfire permits require that the campfire area have a working 2A 10BC Fire Extinguisher present (such as a common 5lb Dry Chemical Extinguisher), two 5-gallon buckets with water and burlap submerged in each, and a shovel. Fire locations must have a minimum of 15' of overhead clearance from branches or other flammable material. All flammable material must be at least 10' from the fire location. Fire pits must have at least 3' of mineral soil or other non-flammable material around the perimeter of the fire area.

- The requirements for permitting specialized fire applications for crafters and performers is determined on a case-by-case basis by Fire Crew.

**For any safety concerns regarding the use of fire, such as whether or not your setup is safe, contact fire crew for a free, no-hassle inspection. You can contact Fire Crew using a Fair Radio, Through QM or Fair Central, or by Tinker Bell from any Info Booth.**

The Site Manager, the Fire Marshal, or Fire Crew Coordinators may restrict or prohibit the use of certain types or all open flames at any time for any reason.

Fireworks are prohibited at all times except for a possible fireworks display once a year. In order for that show to take place there must be appropriate Oregon State and Lane County permits in place as well as approval from Fair Management.

The use of deep-fat fryers requires an appropriate properly certified K-class fire extinguisher. Other cooking practices that involve large volumes of oils may also require a K-class fire extinguisher. Cooking practices that involve unusual fire hazards may be subject to special requirements. If you have any question regarding whether or not you may be subject to special requirements, contact Fire Crew. ***You can contact Fire Crew using a Fair Radio, Through QM or Fair Central, or by Tinker Bell from any Info Booth.***

Burning painted or treated wood is prohibited at all times everywhere on OCF property. All propane tanks must be secured to a solid structure or tree with straps, ropes, or chains to prevent being knocked over. A 5 Gallon propane tank may be secured by being placed in a milk crate.

***Why does this change need to be made? Who would be affected?***

These changes have been overdue. This update addresses issues that come up each year and clarifies rules that have been the source of confusion and uncertainty. It also addresses some rules that have been enforced but not written.

The purpose of these changes is to make it easier for members to find and understand life safety requirements for the use of fire on the fire site throughout Main Camp and the Event.

In discussing these changes with staff, it was suggested that the fire guidelines be moved to the front or back of the guidelines on their own page to make them easier to find, kind of like how the emergency pages used to be located at the front of the yellow pages in the phone book.

There are bulleted lists, italics, and bold type that serve a purpose. Please download the Dropbox copy from the link below for the formatted copy of this change request.

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/cgtjnnw56579g5n/2022%20Fire%20Crew%20Recommended%20changes%20for%20fire%20guidelines.pdf?dl=0>