

HW=s Spring Camporee >06 Rules & Guidelines

Safety & Inspection: All pioneering displays, particularly those whose size or interactive use pose a potential of injury to others, must be inspected by event staff who have final say over whether the structure will be permitted. Event Staff will make every effort to be available at Roundtables leading up to this event to offer preliminary review of planned pioneering projects, however, Staff reserves the right to require revisions and make final determinations at the event itself. Participating Unit Leaders are required to initiate, request and coordinate these inspections with Event Staff. Pioneering project will be subject to ongoing review and inspection during the event.

Guide To Safe Scouting: Nothing in these rules or inspection process shall alter the fact that responsibility for the ongoing safety of the structure and those using, near, or on, it is solely with the adult leadership of participating Units. The Guide to Safe Scouting shall, as always, be the primary source of guidance on these issues and Unit Leaders are responsible to read and comply with it's requirements.

Permitted Materials: All materials used shall be of sufficient strength and all methods of lashing & construction shall be executed in an appropriate, competent and sufficient manner as to reasonably insure the integrity of the structure and the safety of all participants. Where reasonably necessary, bracing, out rigging and anchoring will be required to prevent any movement of the structure. Materials are not to include dimensional lumber or other such finished materials as core building materials, however, such materials may be used which merely provide necessary supplemental component not practically executed in any other manner, for example: metal or finished lumber stakes to secure structure or plywood sheathing (with or without dimensional framing) attached to the core structure for some other purpose. Finished poles or staves are allowed, however natural materials are preferred where practical. Care should be taken to avoid unnecessarily oversized or heavy materials.

Permitted Heights: No surface or platform upon which Scouts or WEBELOS will stand during or after construction shall exceed 12 feet above surrounding grade. For Tigers & Cubs, this height shall not exceed 6 feet. No plane or surface upon which a participant traverses, swings or is suspended, for example a swing, a monkey bridge, a plank connecting two towers, shall exceed 5' above surrounding grade.

Aids & Clean Up: Structures are to be assembled on site and are not to be pre-assembled, in whole or part. Adults are not permitted to be directly involved in assembly or lashing of structure or directly involved in directing Scouts doing same. Adults may, and are encouraged to, work separately and apart with Junior Leaders who will then, in turn, work with Scouts assembling the structure ... it is at this critical hands on second phase that adults must strictly refrain from direct participation unless personal harm or destruction of property is imminent. Adults are permitted and encouraged to have a pair of staves & lashing materials upon which they can, separate from the Scouts responsible for the assembly of the structure, demonstrate lashings to Jr. Leaders only who, in turn can use these same materials to aid and instruct the Scouts under his command. Ladders are permitted, if reasonably necessary as a temporary construction aid, to assist in the safe or expedient erection of the pioneering structure. Units are responsible for ALL clean up, removal of all materials (remnants of twines as well!!!) and restoration of the site before checking out.