

Can LDS Cub Scouts go Camping?

The LDS church policy found in the Scouting Handbook, section 6.1 reads "... No Scout-sponsored overnight camping should be planned for boys under age 11..." Combine that with the *statement from the BSA below and we can see that LDS Cub Scouts CAN complete all these requirements. They have the option of completing these requirements on a family campout (possibly even during a Stake/Ward Campout or a Father's and Sons campout if planned for and with the Bishop's approval) or during a daylong activity - lots of options there. You can still plan, prepare, put up tents, cook outdoors, have a campfire program, have lots of fun, but sleep in your own beds. So YES - Even the LDS Cub Scouts can and should still participate in all the fun and adventure associated with camping!

Cub Scout Camping/ Campout/Campfire Requiements

R/E	Rank	Adventure	Requirement
R	Tiger	Tigers in the Wild	5. <u>Participate in</u> an outdoor pack meeting or <u>pack campout campfire</u> . Sing a song and act out a skit with your Tiger den as part of the program
R	Wolf	Call of the Wild	1. While a Wolf Scout, <u>attend a pack or family campout</u>
			6. On the campout , participate with your family or den in a campfire show. Prepare a skit or song, and then present it at the campfire ...
			7c. After campout , list ways you demonstrated being careful w/fire.
R	Wolf	Howling at the Moon	3. Work together with your den to plan, prepare, and rehearse a campfire program to present to your families at a den meeting.
			4. Practice and perform your role for a pack campfire program.
R	Bear	Bear Necessities	1. While working on your Bear badge, <u>camp overnight</u> with your pack.
			2. Attend a campfire show, and perform a song or skit with your den.
			5. On a campout or at another outdoor event, help cook the meal and help clean up afterward.
E	Bear	Roaring Laughter	6. Practice at least two run-ons with your den, and perform them at a pack meeting or campfire program.
R	Webelos	Cast Iron Chef	1. ...in an outdoor location... wood, demonstrate how to build a fire
			4. ...prepare part of your meal - on camp stove, campfire , other...
R	Arrow of Light	Camper	1. With help of den leader or family, <u>plan and conduct a campout</u> ...
			2. On arrival at campout ... determine where to set up your tent. Demonstrate knowledge of what makes a good tent site and what makes a bad one. Set up your tent without help from an adult.
			4. On a pack campout , work with your den leader or another adult to plan a campfire program with the other dens...
R	Arrow of Light	Scouting Adventure	3d. ...make plans with a troop to <u>participate in a Boy Scout troop's campout</u> or other outdoor activity.
E	Arrow of Light	Castaway	On a campout with your den or family, cook two different recipes that do not require pots and pans...

* If your chartered organization does not permit Cub Scout camping, you may substitute a family campout or a daylong activity. (This is written as part of ALL of the camping requirements)