

Elder Camp guidelines updated 6/7/2022

Elders (and their assistants) who get their wristband from Elders are eligible to camp in Elder campsites. **Space is limited!** Until there is a camping place for every Elder, we have established these guidelines.

The Elders have two areas to camp:

1. The Elder Central Site is located next to the Hub on Chickadee Lane. It is close to showers, water and toilets. It is on a slight hill. Camping is for 18 and older only.
2. The South Woods Elder Annex Tent Site (SWEATS) is located near Miss Piggy's lot in the south woods. It is shady and has flat ground. It has access to toilets, but no water or showers close by.

Returning campers must re-claim their space every year or it may be reassigned.

- Re-claim by sending an email to eldercamphost@gmail.com or by calling the camp host. (see numbers below)
- Returning campers are prioritized since they have invested time and effort into the sites.
- If you anticipate taking a year off, let us know your plans and we will place someone temporary for that year only. You may take up to two years off without losing your space.
- Campers who have not claimed their site by the last clean-up day in June will lose their space and be placed on the waiting list.**
- Please do not claim a space and then not personally camp in it. It is NOT FAIR, and you will lose your space.

New campers

- New Elders wishing to camp in Elder Camp must send request to eldercamphost@gmail.com or call the numbers below and they will be placed on a waiting list.
- Elders on the waiting list will be notified and placed in available spaces as soon as spaces become available and no later than the last claim day in June.

Camp clean-up

- There are 4 official camp cleanup days beginning with the Elder Spring Retreat and followed by one day each in April, May, and June. The cleanup days are listed on the Elder website. <https://ocfelders.weebly.com/>
- You must check with elder camp hosts before working on the site. After you have officially checked in, you may work whenever it is convenient.
- Any digging and brush cutting one needs to talk to the host or vegmanec crew person before proceeding.

Setting up camp

- You must acquire a tent tag from Elder Central **before** setting up your tent.
- Camping sites are requested to have tents limited to 10x10 or smaller.
- Green and community space is maintained.

Elder Central

-The Elder Central Tent welcomes Elders and others to visit and socialize. It has a small kitchen area with a camp stove, tea and coffee and snacks. Food donations are welcome. Please do not bring plastic trash. Bring your own cup, plates, and utensils. You are responsible for cleaning your own dishes and for cleaning up any mess you make. Thank You! "PACK IT IN- PACK IT OUT!"

-**The Geezer Pleezer** is an electric golf cart that provides rides for Elders around the Fair. The main stop is at Elder Central.

Volunteering

-Elder campers are invited to volunteer. There are many opportunities, including staffing Elder Central, helping with the Geezer Pleezer, helping with Still Living Room and Meet 'n' Greet and more. Please fill out the volunteer survey <https://northarrow.net/ocf-elders/> to sign up for volunteering, or email eldervolunteers@gmail.com

Elders Website

The Elders website contains just about anything Elder, including news about upcoming events and contact information. <https://ocfelders.weebly.com/>

Welcome back and have fun!

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OCF guidelines: <https://www.flipsnack.com/oregoncountryfair/2022-ocf-guidelines.html>

FIRE SAFETY:

- No fire pits are allowed in Elder Camps.
- No smoking is allowed in Elder Camps. Please smoke in approved smoking areas. Extinguish cigarettes before depositing them in the butt cans.
- Open flames from candles and torches are the leading cause of fires at the Fair. No unattended open flames (candles, etc.) are allowed at any time, anywhere. No tiki torches are allowed, and no open flames are allowed inside tents.
- Camps and booths with cooking and/or permitted campfires **must have a five-pound ABC fire extinguisher, a shovel, and two five gallon containers full of water with one burlap bag submerged in each.** Be extremely careful with gas and kerosene stoves.
- A five-pound ABC fire extinguisher is required at every booth, camp, and self-contained camping vehicle such as a trailer, RV, or motor home. Fire extinguishers must be re-certified yearly by an appropriate agency or company. This rule applies at all times on the Fair site, by everyone. Please be prepared to show your firefighting equipment to the staff volunteer who will stop by each booth to verify compliance.

First Aid and emergencies

A small first aid kit is located in Elder Central.

Typically, an AED is mounted on the wall outside the office at the HUB.

If you are allergic to bee stings, please inform Quartermaster when you are on site pre- or post-Fair. Please carry your own Epi kit. Please be aware that bees, hornets, and wasps are very common on the Fair site

Whitebird has two medical stations - Big Bird is next to the Main Stage meadow and is likely the closest to the HUB with access straight up Chickadee. Little Wing in Xavanadu is actually slightly closer.

Doctors, nurses, EMTs, and ambulances are available. Hours are noon, Wednesday, through 6pm, Monday, staffed continuously. Each Information booth has minor first-aid supplies (band-aids, aspirin, etc.).

To get help in an emergency:

Calling by radio is typically the quickest way to get a response - go thru Fair Central. Security is usually active along Chickadee and the Construction lead at Zen Barn will also be on radio. The Greeter shack on Chickadee is staffed 24/7 during the event and will have both radio and phone.

Tinkerbelle locations:

At the screen kitchen (at Alices) along w an EPI pen and often a small first aid kit mounted just inside the doorway nearest the house.

Mounted on the outside of the What Barn at the HUB for use by Crew Services.

Zen Barn.

In the So. Woods, the closest White Bird station is, Little Wing, in Xavanadu meadow, where there is a full compliment of medical staff 24-7 w all the gear including AED's beginning Thursday morning.

The closest tinkerbelle in the So. Woods is at Maui base for the Lot Crew.