



**Application for use of the Pine Bend Association's
Birch Bend Campground by a Boy Scout Unit** or other sponsored Youth Group**

Birch Bend is a private, relatively primitive campground, maintained by its members for their use. The camp is not inspected or accredited by the state, county, Boy Scouts of America or any private accrediting bodies.

There are group campsites with patrol sites, picnic tables and fire rings. There is no electricity. There are pit toilets (latrines) and water is supplied from two wells with hand pumps. The water is tested annually for bacteria and nitrate and less frequently for agricultural chemicals. Most of the camp is heavily wooded. There is an open air pavilion with a fire place, picnic tables and a roof that will keep the rain off, but it is not a true storm shelter. There are no first aid equipment or facilities available at the camp.

Round Lake is a small recreational lake with little boat traffic. There is a swimming beach with a raft off shore that you may use. Birch Bend boats and canoes are reserved for member use only. You may bring canoes and boats for your use. There is a public landing on the lake. Birch Bend does **not** provide lifeguards at the beach or supervise water or other activities.

In applying for the use of Birch Bend, you are agreeing to follow and enforce all safety requirements of the Boy Scouts of America as published in the current version of **A Guide to Safe Scouting** and that all swimming and boating activities will be conducted in accordance with **Safe Swim Defense** and **Safety Afloat**. You also agree to supervise the Scouts to ensure that their dress, language and behavior are consistent with the Scout Oath and Law and to ensure that the camp's grounds and equipment are treated with respect and left in an orderly and clean condition.

A copy of your **Local Tour Permit** must be provided prior to arriving.

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| Contact Name | Phone Number | E-mail Address |
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| Unit Number | Charter Partner Name and Location |
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| Course Leader (printed) | Signature | Date |
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| Requested Date(s) | Troop, Group or Unit | Leader | # Scouts | # Adults |
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| Camp Host (printed) | Signature | Date Filed |
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Submit completed application to the Program Committee Chair at least 1 month prior to the requested date:

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Approved _____ Denied _____ Reason for Denial _____

** Boy Scout Troops, Explorer Posts, Sea Scouts and Venturing Crews are eligible to use Birch Bend.