

Notice to units making reservations for Challenge Course or Climbing programs of the Greater St. Louis Area Council

Before you arrive at camp to start your Challenge Course or Climbing experience be aware that you must have several items with you before the gear will be issued to your unit:

- Your copy of the Unit Reservation form for the program
- You must have a current Medical History form or a copy of their camp physical form for every person participating. You must have these forms in hand, the Camp Ranger will not read them, they will just check to be sure you have them readily available in case of an emergency.
- A current First Aid and CPR card for at least one person that will be on site during the program. One person can have a First Aid card and another person can have a CPR card (this requirement went into effect on 9-1-2007). The people with these certifications do not need to be adults; Scouts can also have these cards – a “Red Card” for Scouts does not qualify. See the following description of the training to achieve the First Aid and CPR certification:

“At least one person at the climbing/rappelling site or challenge course site must be currently trained in American Red Cross Standard First Aid (a 6 1/2-hour course that includes CPR), or Level I National Safety Council First Aid, or the equivalent from another nationally or regionally recognized organization, and must be physically present in the immediate area whenever a climbing/rappelling or challenge course program is done.”

- Climbing Instructors: must have their current certification cards. If an Instructor is getting certified the Unit will need all of the above and the Instructor Staff member doing the certification will have their card and be able to check out the gear with the Instructor.
- Evening use of the Beaumont Climbing Tower: if you are using the tower for an evening program call the Rangers several days in advance, and leave a message if necessary, so that they can make arrangements about what time to meet you to verify reservations and certification cards.

Ranger office: 636-938-5444

- Challenge Course Instructors: Units will need the First Aid/CPR cards, Medical Information forms and Unit Reservation form. Instructors must have their current certification cards. If an Instructor is getting certified the assigned Challenge Course Director will be able to check out the keys and the equipment for the course with the Instructor. Only the assigned Challenge Course Director can check out the gear and keys for the course with the unit. The Challenge Course Director will verify the proper amount of Instructors for High and Low Course and the number of participants. The Challenge Course Director will call your unit in advance to verify information and make arrangements for meeting times.