

Selhowtka Emergency Response Information

This emergency response information is provided to guider's to enable them to complete an SG4 form for the location of "Camp Selhowtka", a Girl Guide camp located on Adams Lake in British Columbia. Information is as reviewed by the Properties Manager of Thompson Nicola Area for the year 2019.

It is strongly recommended that a complete list of names be dropped off at the Chase R.C.M.P. detachment. Because this is not an office that is open 24 hours a day, you can send an email to brandi.nakazawa@RCMP-GRC.gc.ca. The list should include the cell number of the responsible guider, as well as the home contact person.

Page 3 of the SG4: Commissioner should read Karley Mathieson. 250-319-5875.
Home contact person: applicable name and phone #.
Provincial emergency contact for GGC - should have area Commissioner, NOT Province. Responsible guider MUST verify that the Area Commissioner be available.

Emergency response time is 30 minutes.

Location is Camp Selhowtka on the Southeast end of Adams Lake. 380 Adams West FSR.

Landmarks for directions of emergency response personnel: past the Interfor Sawmill, (formerly known as Adams Lake Sawmill), take the first right hand turn (approximately 3.2 kms from the mill). A large blue and white guiding sign will indicate the next turn to the left. (at the yellow gate) GPS co-ordinates: Latitude - 50°58'44.79"N
Longitude - 119°42'58.53"W

It is recommended that if emergency services are called, the responsible guider will assign a person to be at the first turn off of the forest road.

Page 1: Emergency procedures required from committee are:

Situation: Parent does not arrive to pick up girls.

Procedure: This situation will be covered by appendix H in Safe Guide. (page 376 large print edition)

Situation: Missing person.

Procedure: If initial search is not successful call 911 and Area Commissioner.

Specific camps should have their procedure with names assigned to specific duties as outlined by responsible guider (page 371 - P372 in Safe Guide, large print edition).

Situation: Intruder (human)

Procedure: Responsible guider should be advised that there is a human intruder on the

property and the last known sighting.

Approach & determine intentions of intruder. (do with 2 people).

Request they remove themselves from the site.

Escort them from the site.

If the intruder is persistent or threatening, call 911 and gather all participants together.

NOTE: The beach is public property, most people leave when they understand a camp is in progress.

Situation: Intruder (animal, bear or cougar)

Procedure: Remain alert to any sightings.

Preplan a specific alert signal.

If the animal is persistent or threatening contact the local conservation officer/RCMP.

If appropriate move outdoor campers to indoor locations.

Responsible guiders will monitor the situation so that appropriate plans can be made to continue/terminate camp.

Situation: Massive storm (high winds, trees down, heavy rains, etc)

Procedure: Responsible guider will monitor weather with local authorities and evacuation plans will be put in place if necessary.

Situation: Evacuation due to forest fire.

Procedure: FIRE TRAVELS UPHILL

Guiders who discover fire will immediately contact all responsible guiders on site. Call 911 and Forestry Service at 1-800-663-5555.

Camps located below the fire will exit to the beach.

Camps located above the fire will exit, using the camp roads, to outside the main gate area. Proceed to gathering points, leaving clear access for emergency vehicles.

Guiders to take health forms and first aid kits with them if possible.

All campers to remain at gathering points until fire-fighting personnel have advised it is safe to move.

Situation: Evacuation due to fire on the site.

Procedure: Responsible guider upon being notified of a fire will call 911.

Camps located below the fire will exit to the beach. Camps located above the fire will exit using the camp roads, to outside the main gate area.

Proceed to gathering points, leaving accesses clear for emergency vehicles.

Guiders to take health forms and first aid kits with them if at all possible.

All campers to remain at gathering points until fire-fighting personnel have advised it is safe to move.

Situation: Persons with disabilities.

Procedure: If you have persons with disabilities at camp NEVER separate from their service animal or assistive devices. At the BEGINNING of camp assign the person who will be responsible (and name in the paperwork) for the disabled person. (Safe guide page 374-375, large print edition).

Situation: Traumatic medical emergency

Procedure: Responsible guider to implement her onsite plan for medical emergencies. Other guiders on site should be notified. If necessary, the responsible guider will arrange for termination of camp. Please notify the Area Commissioner and the Campsite Manager.