



LPS Overnight Campouts: At a Glance

Facilitation: Overnight campouts are organized and led by teachers. It is your responsibility to follow SD71 safety/risk management strategies. Day programs offered by LPS and/or third-parties are optional, and facilitation will vary according to program arrangements.

Group Size: maximum *one class* per night plus teachers/adult chaperones (Group Site maximum is 30 people total).

Price: \$220 per night for the Group Site *excluding* LPS-facilitated program costs (if you choose to book an LPS Activity block, such as Floating Classroom, this will be invoiced separately).

Timing: Arrival Day

- Arrive at Park: 9:30 AM or later. Gear may be stored in vehicles or in the geodesic dome above group site until group site check-in.
- Access to Groupsite: 1:00 PM or later (max 3 vehicles with gear on group site road)
- Option to book LPS program(s) on day of arrival (between 9:30 AM and 2:30 PM)

Timing: Check-out Day

- Check out of Groupsite: 11:00 AM or earlier - must have site cleared, gear out, vehicles moved
- Leave Park: 12:00 PM (noon) or earlier

Other requirements:

- Please follow [Campground Rules](#) and **Uphold “Leave No Trace” (LNT)** ethics (see this [LNT resource](#) for details)

Paperwork Required by LPS:

- LPS Waivers completed for all campers/participants upon arrival

Frequently Asked Questions

What dates are available for camping out? We tentatively reserve the Group Site for overnight school bookings for dates in May and June. Please visit the “Overnight Campouts” portion of our [School Programs webpage](#) for bookings and details. If you wish to book the group site outside of the dates we can offer, you will need to follow the same booking procedure as the general public, located on the [Campground page](#).

What is the deadline for booking my campsite? School groups have a priority booking window to reserve the Group Site from February 1st to March 1st.

What dates are available for LPS “Activity Blocks”? LPS Activity Blocks are optional programs, such as the Floating Classroom, that may be reserved by a class *for the date of their arrival* for an overnight campout. For example, if you are staying the night of June 20th, the program will be available to your class on June 20th. However, activity blocks may not necessarily be available for the dates you wish.

Can we do an LPS Activity Block on our check out day? For single night stays, LPS Activity Blocks are not available on the day you check out, as we will be working with other groups. For multi-night stays, activity blocks are available on all other days, including your arrival day.

What are the Campground Rules? Campground rules and other requirements can be viewed on our [Terms of Service](#) page.

Where can we put our stuff while we wait for access to the group site? If you arrive before 1:00 pm, the check-in time for the Group Site, you can store gear in vehicles or in the geodesic dome directly above the group campsite.

What time do we have to be out of the Group Site? You are required to check out of Group Site by *11:00 AM or earlier*. This means that the site is cleared, gear is out, and all vehicles are moved back to the main parking lot.

What time do we have to leave Cumberland Lake Park on our check-out day? Your group is required to leave Cumberland Lake Park by noon of your check-out date to avoid congestion with subsequent classes and other park user groups.

Is there potable drinking water at the campground? Yes, but there is *not a potable water tap located at the Group Site*. The closest water tap is located at the Upper Campsite area, next to site 406. Please see the site map attached, and campground map for additional water/tap sites.

Do you have any “Leave No Trace” (LNT) ethics (see this [LNT resource](#) for details)

What bathrooms are available? At the Group Site, there is *one* single single-stall (wheelchair accessible and gender neutral) pit toilets (outhouses). There are more pit toilets located at other areas of the park/campground. Additionally, there is also a main bathroom building which includes a “men’s” and “women’s” multi-stall bathroom with flush toilets, sinks, and coin-operated showers; as well as one gender inclusive, wheelchair accessible bathroom.

What time do the main bathrooms close? During the campground season, the bathrooms are open 24/7, save for cleaning times or other circumstances that warrant temporary closure.

Do we have access to all trails and beaches? We will have day programs running that may be using nature classrooms, beach spaces, and/or trails during your stay. Campout groups are expected to give priority use of these spaces to LPS programs and/or other specified groups. These details will be discussed before your arrival. Generally, you are expected to use and share spaces at Cumberland Lake Park respectfully. Please be mindful of the potential impact of traveling in a large group, and do your best to minimize this impact (set clear expectations around noise level, respecting boundaries of campsites and nature classrooms, staying on trail in low-impact and/or revegetation areas, etc).

Is there cell service at Cumberland Lake Park? There is not reliable cell service at the campground, although the Rogers network seems to work better than the Telus network. The campground can be reached via the main office at (250) 702-8833 during office hours or via the Camp Hosts at (778)-992-0238 after hours.

Who do we contact in case of emergency? Please call 911 for emergencies and contact the above main office or camp host numbers for all other immediate issues.

LPS Activity Options

Classes may choose one full-day activity block, or two half-day options. As mentioned above, these options will be available to your class *on your arrival date*. Please see [our website](#) for details about the "Floating Classroom Canoe Charter".

Floating Classroom Canoe Charter - half day (9:30 - 12:00 or 12:00 - 2:30)

- \$500 program cost, SD71 classes eligible for subsidized rate of \$300

Floating Classroom Canoe Charter - full day (9:30 - 2:30)

- \$750 program cost, SD71 classes eligible for subsidized rate of \$500

Alternative Program Options

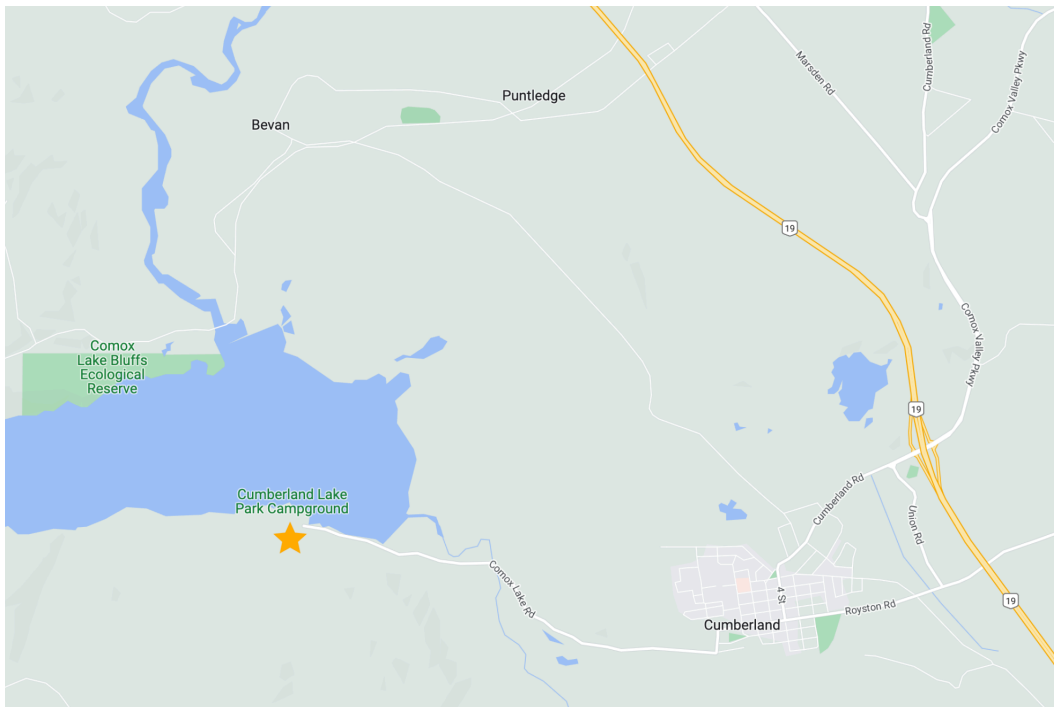
While LPS offers some day-program options for school groups, we acknowledge that our budget, resources, and scope of programs may not cater to all classes. If teachers/group leaders are keen to explore other options, there are local organizations that may be of interest. *LPS will not be responsible for coordination* with these organizations, this is to be done directly by the teacher/lead organizer. Having said that, agreements around sharing space must be respected.

Some ideas include:

- Vancouver Island Paddling (Dragon Boats)
- Cumberland Museum
- Courtenay Museum (geology tour)
- Island Alpine Guides (Rock Climbing)
- Courtenay Fish and Game Club
- CVRD's Connected by Water outreach team (Meaghan Cursons and Christina Willard-Stephan)

Site Maps

Find us at Cumberland Lake Park, marked by the gold star below:



For a detailed **Campground Map**, please follow [this link](#) to our website.

LPS Waivers

A completed informed consent form (for minors) or release form (for adults) must be provided for each participant upon arrival of your group. You may hand them in to the campground office upon check-in (during office hours). Waivers must be witnessed to be considered complete.

Links to our informed consent forms (for minors) and waivers (for adults) are included below, and are also available on the [Teacher Resources](#) page of our website. Please:

- ☐ Print the forms (double sided if possible),
- ☐ Send them home with your students to be reviewed and completed, and
- ☐ Bring completed forms for all participants on the morning of your program.

Waivers are attached in the following pages of this prep package. Alternatively, you may download and print them by following the links below:

[Informed Consent, Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risk \(For Minors\)](#)

[Release Voluntary Assumption of Risk \(For Adults\)](#)

OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS – FOR ADULTS

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT (referred to as the "Release Agreement")

WARNING: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING!
**THIS DOCUMENT INCLUDES A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS,
INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE OR CLAIM COMPENSATION**

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This Release Agreement must be fully completed and signed before participants are allowed to enter land or premises owned or operated by Cumberland Lake Park Society

Participant Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

To: Cumberland Lake Park Society, and to its officers, directors, shareholders, employees, representatives, independent contractors, volunteers, agents, insurers, and assigns (the "Releasees")

DEFINITION: In this Release Agreement the term "**Activities**" includes all activities, programs, events, and services that are provided, arranged, organized, conducted, sponsored, or authorized by any of the Releasees, and includes, without limitation, any and all: use of the Cumberland Lake Park Campground located at 1100 Comox Lake Road, Cumberland BC, V0R 1S0; use of Comox Lake; backpacking; camping; hiking; running; jumping; climbing; fire building; shelter building, trail building, clearing and maintenance; swimming; kayaking; canoeing; stand up paddle boarding; orientation; instructional and skills development programs; training; transportation or travel to and from locations used for the Activities and all other such activities, programs, events, and services, that are in any way connected with or related to any of the foregoing.

1. **ASSUMPTION OF RISKS:** I acknowledge that my participation in the Activities involves certain inherent risks, dangers, and hazards, which can result in personal injury including death, property damage, and other loss. Risks, dangers, and hazards may include but are not limited to:
- a) slipping and falling;
 - b) overturning a kayak, canoe, stand up paddle board, or other water craft;
 - c) exposure to very cold water;
 - d) variation in the water conditions, surfaces and currents, including high waves, and river currents;
 - e) changing and inclement weather conditions including storms, high wind and lightning;
 - f) equipment failure, the use of inadequate or inappropriate equipment, and the use of improperly prepared or adjusted equipment;
 - g) steep slopes in their natural state that may contain obstacles and hazards, and terrain that may not have been traveled on or climbed before and is not regularly patrolled or inspected;
 - h) variation in terrain including holes, depressions, loose gravel, rocks, mud, roots, deadfall, rocks, or other natural or man-made objects on or adjacent to the trails;
 - i) exposure to fire;
 - j) encounters with wild and domestic animals;
 - k) becoming lost or separated from the Releasees or other participants;
 - l) failing to act safely, or within one's own ability, or to stay within designated areas;
 - m) failing to read and comply with signage, or with any of the Releasees' instructions;
 - n) the proximity of medical care which may or may not be readily available;
 - o) theft, vandalism, and loss of personal property;
 - p) negligence of participants, instructors, and bystanders; and
 - q) **NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES, INCLUDING FAILURE TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS OF ENGAGING IN THE ACTIVITIES.**

I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT THE ABOVE LIST IS NOT INCLUSIVE OF ALL POSSIBLE RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACTIVITIES. I HAVE INFORMED MYSELF TO MY OWN SATISFACTION OF THE NATURE OF THOSE INHERENT RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS AND I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS, AND

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HAZARDS, AS WELL AS THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, OR OTHER LOSS RESULTING THEREFROM.

2. **WAIVER AND RELEASE:** I AGREE, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THAT I HAVE OR MAY IN THE FUTURE HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES, AND TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, EXPENSE, OR INJURY (INCLUDING DEATH) THAT I OR MY NEXT OF KIN MAY SUFFER AS A RESULT OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES, DUE TO ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE CLAIMS BASED ON ANY OF THE RELEASEES' ALLEGED OR ACTUAL:

- a) NEGLIGENCE, INCLUDING FAILURE ON THE PART OF ANY OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS OF THE ACTIVITIES;
- b) BREACH OF ANY CONTRACT OR WARRANTY, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED; AND/OR
- c) BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE UNDER THE BRITISH COLUMBIA OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT.

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3. **INDEMNITY:** I AGREE TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE RELEASEES FOR ALL LIABILITY AND CLAIMS, INCLUDING ALL JUDGMENTS, DEMANDS, SETTLEMENTS, COSTS, AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING LAWYERS' FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS), WHETHER ARISING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES, OR FROM ANY MISREPRESENTATION OR FRAUDULENT EXECUTION OF THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT ON MY PART.

4. **MY REPRESENTATIONS:** I represent that I have the experience required to participate safely in the Activities and that I have no known physical or mental condition which would impair my capability for full participation in the Activities.

5. **PROMISE TO OBEY RULES:** I confirm that I will obey any and all guidelines, rules, and regulations which govern my participation in the Activities, as established by the Releasees from time to time.

6. **MEDIA RELEASE:** I give/I do not give (*circle one*) the Releasees permission to use and/or reproduce all digital media taken of, or including me, and/or information gathered about or including me, including any agency, clients, publication or other organization or institution, in all forms of media, for distribution to the general public for the purposes of publicity and promotion.

7. **NO ALCOHOL, CANNABIS, OR OTHER DRUGS:** I acknowledge that alcohol, cannabis, and other drugs, both prescribed and non-prescribed, have the capacity to impair judgment and reduce my ability to effectively manage risks. Consuming alcohol, cannabis, or other drugs prior to or while participating in the Activities is strictly prohibited.

8. **AMENDMENTS:** I agree that this Release Agreement may only be amended by a duly executed written agreement between myself and the Releasees, and this Release Agreement shall not be affected or altered by any prior or subsequent oral or written representation made by the Releasees or anyone acting on their behalf, and that in giving this Release Agreement I am not relying on any oral or written representation or statement made by anyone, including the Releasees or anyone acting on their behalf.

I CONFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST THE FULL AGE OF 19 YEARS. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING IT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, ASSIGNS, AND REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES.

Participant Signature

WITNESS SIGNATURE AND CONTACT INFORMATION:

Declared before me at _____, BC this _____
day _____ of 20____

Witness Name: _____

Witness Address: _____

Witness Signature

Witness Phone: _____

OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS – FOR MINORS

For participants under the age of 19 - To be completed by parent/legal guardian and participant

INFORMED CONSENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK FORM (referred to as the "Consent and Acknowledgement Form")

WARNING: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING!

The choice to participate in any program or activity offered by Cumberland Lake Park Society is made freely and with understanding of the associated benefits, risks, and responsibilities.

This Consent and Acknowledgement Form must be fully completed and signed before participants are allowed to enter land or premises owned or operated by Cumberland Lake Park Society

Participant Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

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1. **DISCLAIMER:** THE RELEASEES ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, EXPENSE, OR INJURY SUFFERED BY A PARTICIPANT DURING OR AS A RESULT OF THE ACTIVITIES, DUE TO ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE CLAIMS BASED ON ANY OF THE RELEASEES' ALLEGED OR ACTUAL:

a) NEGLIGENCE, INCLUDING FAILURE ON THE PART OF ANY OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT THE PARTICIPANT FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS OF THE ACTIVITIES;

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c) BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE UNDER THE BRITISH COLUMBIA OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT.

2. **NO REPRESENTATIONS:** We acknowledge and agree that the Releasees make no representations regarding the safety of the Activities or regarding whether the Activities are appropriate for the Participant to undertake.

3. **VOLUNTARY ASSUMPTION OF RISKS:** We acknowledge and agree that participation in the Activities involves certain inherent risks, dangers, and hazards, which can result in personal injury, death, property damage, and other loss. Risks, dangers, and hazards may include but are not limited to:

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 - n) the proximity of medical care which may or may not be readily available;
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PARTICIPANT
PARENT/ GUARDIAN

4. PARTICIPANT'S CONDUCT: We represent, acknowledge, and agree that:

- a) the Participant has the experience required to participate safely in the Activities and that the Participant has no known physical or mental condition which would impair their capability for full participation in the Activities;
- b) we are solely responsible for assessing whether any of Activities are too difficult for the Participant, and by the Participant commencing any of the Activities, we acknowledge and accept the suitability and conditions of those Activities;
- c) the Participant's risk of injury is reduced if the Participant follows all rules established for participation;
- d) the Participant's risk of injury increases as the Participant becomes fatigued;
- e) if the Participant observes an unusual or significant hazard or risk, the Participant will remove themselves immediately from participation and bring such to the attention of a representative of the Releasees; and
- f) the Participant will obey any and all guidelines, rules, and regulations which govern their participation in the Activities, as established by the Releasees from time to time.

5. MEDIA RELEASE: We give/We do not give (*circle one*) the Releasees permission to use and/or reproduce all digital media taken of, or including the Participant, and/or information gathered about or including the Participant, including any agency, clients, publication or other organization or institution, in all forms of media, for distribution to the general public for the purposes of publicity and promotion.

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We declare that we have read, understand, and agree with this Consent and Acknowledgment Form:

Parent/Legal Guardian Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
Address: _____	
Telephone: _____	Relationship to Participant: _____
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____	Participant Signature: _____

WITNESSED BY AN ADULT (Not the Signing Parent/Legal Guardian)

Declared before me at the city of _____, BC this ____ day of _____ 20 ____ _____ Witness Signature	Witness Name: _____
	Witness Address: _____ _____
	Witness Phone: _____