



# Claytor Lake

SPECIALTY RESIDENT CAMP



## Personal WaterCraft

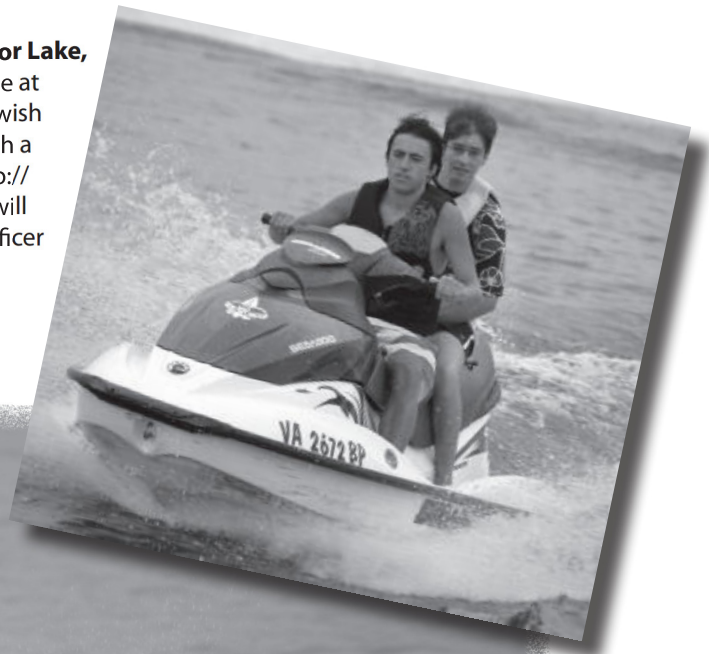
### Personal Watercraft Safety Course

Claytor Lake Aquatics Base is the First Boy Scout summer camp to offer a program focused on the use of Personal Watercraft, commonly known as jet skis. Scouts age 14 or older can sign up for the PWC course for an additional fee of \$60. This is a five-day course in which Scouts will learn about boating safety and the safe and courteous operation of a PWC. Time is devoted each day to gain familiarity and competency before free riding by the end of the week. Participants 14-16 will ride with an instructor. The Virginia Boater's Safety Course is mandatory for anyone (including leaders) wishing to use a PWC at the Claytor Lake Adventure Base! Each participant must fill out the Personal WaterRaft Agreement (next page) and bring it to camp.

### Virginia Boater's Safety Course

This course is required for **all participants attending Claytor Lake**, with the exception of SCUBA. We will offer the course for free at camp Sunday evening and Monday morning. If you do not wish to take the course at camp you may show up on Sunday with a current card from your home state or from this website: <http://www.boatus.org/Virginia>. Even if you have a valid card, we will still ask that you sit through the talk by the Conservation Officer on Monday morning.

**\*\*WE ENCOURAGE ALL PARTICIPANTS TO TAKE THE COURSE BEFORE YOU ARRIVE AT CAMP.\*\***





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## Personal Watercraft Agreement

### Personal Watercraft (PWC) Program

#### Participation and Hold-Harmless Agreement

Camp Claytor Lake Aquatics Base

Camp Claytor Lake Aquatics Base from the Blue Ridge Mountains Council will be offering a personal watercraft program. Scouts will be instructed how to operate a PWC. Scouts will be taught PWC safety and operate a PWC on a training course, then have open ride time in a designated area at Camp Claytor Lake Aquatics Base. Scouts are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the camp instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, \_\_\_\_\_, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk. I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

**For safety, my child and I agree that he/she will do the following or he/she will be removed from the program.** Because space is limited, any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded.

1. Complete the boater safety class taught at Camp Claytor Lake Aqua Base.
2. Wear all required safety gear at all times on or around the equipment.
3. Follow all safety rules provided in the training class.
4. Follow the instructions of the camp staff instructor(s).
5. Maintain control of the PWC at all times and remain within the speed determined to be safe by the camp instructor(s).
6. Be 14 years of age at the start of class and in full compliance with all local, state, and federal guidelines, including age restrictions and original equipment manufacturer standards.
7. Respond to the camp satisfaction survey from the Boy Scouts of America as it evaluates the PWC program.

Participant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian printed name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (for survey purposes only): \_\_\_\_\_



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## Merit Badge Details

Merit Badge	Eagle?	Details
		<b>BSA Lifeguard - Advanced</b> This course is extremely physically demanding and is recommended for older Scouts and adults only. Participants will spend their entire day on the waterfront and should not plan on signing up for any other merit badges. Be prepared for a practical and written exam at the end of the week.
		<b>Fishing - Basic</b> Bring your rod, reel, and tackle. Completion of this badge requires both patience and a lot of luck. Requirement 9 may or may not be completed depending on if the Scout is able to catch a fish.
		<b>Kayaking - Moderate</b> In earning this merit badge, Scouts will learn how to properly enter and exit a kayak, and learn proper paddling techniques.
		<b>Lifesaving - Advanced</b> This challenging program is physically demanding and is recommended only for very strong swimmers who wish to learn aquatic life-saving skills. Prior CPR training is helpful.
		<b>Motorboating - Moderate</b> With the fun of operating a motor boat comes the responsibility for keeping that boat in first-class condition, knowing and obeying the nautical "rules of the road," and gaining the general knowledge and skills to operate a boat safely.
		<b>Rowing - Moderate</b> This is a physically demanding program. It is more difficult to master than canoeing or kayaking. At Claytor Lake Aquatics Base, we use sculling row boats instead of the traditional large, aluminum crafts.
		<b>Small Boat Sailing - Moderate</b> Scouts will learn about how to read the wind and fill out the sail, and how to plan for a safe sailing trip. Participants must be 13 years old. Class size is limited to 8 participants.
		<b>Swimming - Moderate</b> This program is physically demanding and is recommended for older Scouts only.
		<b>Water Sports - Advanced</b> Water sports are a fun and exhilarating way to enjoy being outdoors while developing strength, coordination, and fitness. By developing experience with water sports and practicing good judgment, Scouts will gain skills that will serve them well for a lifetime and have extreme fun while they do. Enrolling in Water Sports Merit Badge will focus on water skiing. Enrolling in Beginner Wakeboarding will complete all requirements for Water Sports MB with a focus on wakeboarding.



# 2017 Claytor Lake Aquatics Base Merit Badge and Activity Schedule

## Flag Ceremony & Breakfast 7:45 a.m.

<b>8:45</b>	Water Sports	Beginner Wake Boarding	Personal Watercraft (Activity)	Motor-boating	Large Boat Sailing (Activity)	Small Boat Sailing	Kayaking	Rowing	Stand-Up Paddle-Boarding (Award)	Swimming	Fishing
<b>10:15</b>	Water Sports	Beginner Wake Boarding	Personal Watercraft (Activity)	Motor-boating	Large Boat Sailing (Activity)	Small Boat Sailing	Kayaking	Rowing	Stand-Up Paddle-Boarding (Award)	Lifesaving	Fishing

## Lunch and Siesta Noon to 1:30 p.m.

<b>1:45</b>	Water Sports	Beginner Wake Boarding	Personal Watercraft (Activity)	Motor-boating	Large Boat Sailing (Activity)	Small Boat Sailing	Kayaking	Rowing	Stand-Up Paddle-Boarding (Award)	Swimming	Fishing
<b>3:15</b>	Water Sports	Beginner Wake Boarding	Personal Watercraft (Activity)	Motor-boating	Large Boat Sailing (Activity)	Small Boat Sailing	Kayaking	Rowing	Stand-Up Paddle-Boarding (Award)	Lifesaving	Fishing
<b>4:45</b>	Water Sports	Beginner Wake Boarding	Personal Watercraft (Activity)	Motor-boating	Large Boat Sailing (Activity)	Small Boat Sailing	Kayaking	Rowing	Stand-Up Paddle-Boarding (Award)	BSA Lifeguard	Fishing

## Dinner 6:40 p.m.

## Evening Program Session: 7:15 p.m. to Dusk