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National Camping Schools **New for 2016**

The Shooting Sports Team has been hard at work developing many new and innovative programs local councils can add to their resident camp and year-round opportunities.

*The addition of these programs requires us to provide training at National Camping Schools for councils to offer these new activities. We had to evaluate how to accomplish this within the 6 days of National Camping Schools. (NCS) The decision was made that a person attending NCS will have to be already certified as a NRA Rifle and Shotgun Instructor, with proof of current certification, in order to attend. This will allow us to teach the participants at NCS how to run the following programs: **MULTI-GUN AIRSOFT EXPERIENCE, PISTOL SHOOTING, SPORTING ARROWS, CHALK BALLS, COWBOY ACTION, AND MORE.** These programs have proven to be very exciting and successful activities when offered in resident camp and will attract more Scouts to attend.*

To ensure your council and others in your area can provide the needed training for individuals as NRA Instructors, we have teamed up with the NRA to offer Instructor Training in each BSA Area. We have NRA Training Counselors willing to donate their time for the three days required to accomplish this task – Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. These courses will be held between March 1st and May 1st of 2016. See NCS Brochure for locations and dates. We have included below a cost for the event and a cost comparison to commercial NRA courses.

This is targeted at two types of volunteers. The first is your shooting sports staff who will be attending NCS in 2016. The second is certify volunteers on your shooting sports committees to run year-round shooting sports programs as rifle and shotgun instructors. As you can see, the NRA support is making this a fantastic value for your council.

NRA Instructor Training for BSA NCS Candidates and BSA Local Council Volunteers

This course includes NRA Basic Instructor, Rifle Instructor, and Shotgun Instructor Training. The cost for the training is a total of \$100.00 including the NRA instructor certification fees. This is a savings of over \$500.00! We have lowered the cost of NCS by \$100 so the net cost in 2016 is same as 2015.

NRA Instructor Course Fees	Commercial	Local Council Avg.	BSA NCS National Training
Basic instructor	Included	Included	Included
Rifle	300-350	100-150	50
Shotgun	200-250	100-150	50
Total	500-600	200-300	100



Center for Disease Control (CDC) Model Aquatics Health Code (MAHC)

The BSA Aquatics Task Force has attended meetings on the new changes. National Camping School is having the Aquatics Section start on Thursday evening of resident camp schools. This is being done to meet the new guidelines recommended by the CDC.

The changes being considered by the CDC in form of new government regulations, particularly the CDC Model Aquatic Health Code, are likely to affect council operated swimming programs, such as summer camps.

The new codes mandate training programs beyond basic pre-camp certifications. These in turn needs to be reflected in the NCAP standards, and also impact what is taught at National Camping Schools.

Attached is a PowerPoint presentation outlining the new changes. Listed below is a listing of what is being recommended. MAHC was put together with cooperation from various groups and is expected to be adopted fairly quickly by the states.

- a. **The QUALIFIED LIFEGUARD is able to reach the furthest extent of the assigned zone of PATRON surveillance within 20 seconds. 6.3.3.1.1**
- b. **rescue tube on person**
- c. **identifying uniform**
- d. **signal device**
- e. **polarized sunglasses**
- f. **PPE**
- g. **UV protection**
- h. **communication system**
- i. **chairs/stands**
- j. **first aid kit**
- k. **backboard w/ restraints**
- l. **blood spill kit**
- m. **AED/O2 not required**
- n. **Current lifeguard certification by approved agency**
- o. **Current CPR at professional level**

Please make sure your Program Team responsible for camping programs are aware of these changes to the Shooting Sports and Aquatics Sections at National Camping Schools in 2016.

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