

### PREVENTION OF LOSS OR HARM IN MOUNTAIN AND PRIMITIVE AREAS

1. One leader at least 16 years of age, instructed in methods of hike leadership safety, should accompany any group on a hike outside the designated camp area.
2. Leaders should have special instructions about the prevention of snakebites and what to do if a bite does occur. Seek immediate help at the nearest emergency care hospital.
3. Extra care should be taken in mountain areas during early spring and late fall. Sudden snowstorms at these times can create dangers for hikers.
4. The route of a proposed hike should be checked out carefully by leaders in advance to insure the group can complete the hike within the allotted time. Hikes should be authorized by the Camp Director.

**IN CASE OF A MISSING PERSON(S)** - Determine by a quick search that the person really is missing. When reasonably sure they are missing the Director should make arrangements for the search to continue by designating camper groups with leaders to search specific areas using a buddy system. Notify the Ranch management. They will contact the Sheriff's Department.

**★TRANSITION OR RELEASE OF CAMPERS** - All campers being picked up or delivered by parents, guardians or friends must check in with Camp Director. Obtain the name and relation of person providing transportation to or from camp and have them sign the camper in or out. ★ Parents or guardians picking up or dropping off children at times different than all other campers must stop at Ranch office to sign in as a visitor. Never release a camper to a non-custodial parent without prior written consent of legal guardian.

### **★STRANGER IN THE CAMP**

If a stranger appears in the camp not accompanied by an Outback Staff Manager or wearing a visitor identification ensure that The Outback Staff Member and Camp Director/Supervisor are notified immediately. Ranch Manager will take necessary steps to remove the person(s). ★The county health department often drops in unannounced to insure your staff follows this very important safety measure for children.



Thank you for your cooperation in all these matters. We hope your group enjoys an outstanding time in The Outback at the Box R!