

# PARENT HANDBOOK FOR 2 WEEK SESSIONS HURONTARIO'S 2018 SEASON

"Celebrating 72 Years of Camping"

**INSIDE THIS PACKAGE IS VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION  
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

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**Packages for parents who registered online will contain the following: ( Parents who registered online will go to the online site to fill in their final details – see Page 3 for details)**

- a) Mabel's Labels form (orders are placed to Mabel's Labels online as per their instructions)
- b) An invoice showing a balance which will be applied to your credit card on May 1st (the fee payment will be applied to the same Card as used to register your camper).

**Packages for parents who registered by mail will contain the following forms: (please return all forms with payments by May 1<sup>st</sup>, please) :**

- a) FINAL CONFIRMATION FORM (green)
- b) CAMPER INFORMATION FORM (green)
- c) MEDICAL FORM (peach)
- d) Credit Card Authorization form
- e) An invoice

**Packages for ALL parents may include the following:**

- a) An Invitation to New Camper's Party, Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> (families included)
- b) Mabel's Labels forms (please order online as per their form, thanks).
- c) A Letter for campers from outside Canada

**FEE STRUCTURE FOR THE 2018 SEASON**  
**METHODS OF PAYMENT**

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For your convenience, there are several means whereby you can pay the fees owing on May 1<sup>st</sup>  
If you have questions please call 416 488 2077 or email [hurontario@sympatico.ca](mailto:hurontario@sympatico.ca)

**For all Registered campers: Notes re payment of fees due on May 1st :**

1. Please do not pay for canoe trips, clothing, biodegradables at this time as the boys make their final trip choices & purchases at camp. These charges will be added to the account at the end of the session.
2. If you are attending the New Campers' Party, you might keep your forms (and payment) until after this informative afternoon. Please DO NOT bring forms and cheques to this event, but mail after April 22<sup>nd</sup> to arrive on or prior to May 1st as it is a busy afternoon. Thank you.
3. Camp Hurontario accepts funds in Canadian and US dollars. Fees are set in Canadian dollars. Payments may be made by Visa, Mastercard, CDN cheques, or Canadian money transfers. .
4. If a camper must be withdrawn from the camp for medical reasons (supported by a doctor's letter), a partial refund will be made up to June 1st. After June 1st, the Camp reserves the right to retain final payment. However, the camp will endeavor to minimize a family's financial loss in such circumstances.
5. There will be no refund for campers withdrawn for misconduct or for breaking camp policy.

**Fee Payment Details**

**A) Online registrations: Fee Payment Details**

1. Your May 1st fee payment per your invoice (enclosed) will be processed on May 1<sup>st</sup> on the Card which was used to register your camper(s).
2. Any charges incurred after May 1st, will be processed on this same Card, including the final invoice which will be sent after the session in which your son is registered.
3. If you wish to pay the final invoice by cheque or another Card than that on file please be sure to email notification along with payment within 5 days of receipt of the final invoice. Thank you.

**B: Fee Payment for those who did not register online. By Visa or Master Card:**

1. If you registered by mail, enclosed please find an authorization form for Visa or Master Card payment. Please sign and return this form with the other forms.
2. If you wish to pay both the fees due on May 1st and the final invoice which will arrive after your son returns home from camp by Visa or MasterCard, please indicate in the space provided .
3. If you wish to pay the final invoice by cheque or another Card than that on file please be sure to email notification along with payment within 5 days of receipt of the final invoice. Thank you.
4. Please send the final confirmation form, camper information form and medical form along with the final payment to the Toronto office at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

**a) Payment by cheque: Please be sure that all forms accompany the cheque.**

Payment of fees can be made by cheque payable to Camp Hurontario. If the name on the cheque is different than that of the camper attending, please make sure that the camper's first & last name is also on the cheque or it becomes difficult to track payments. Thank you.

**FEE PAYMENT SCHEDULE for all Two Week Sessions**

**July two week 1: Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**July two week 2: Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

**August two week 1: Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**August two week 2: Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**

<u>Fee Structure</u>	<u>H S.T. (13%)</u>	<u>Total Fee</u>	<u>Deposit paid</u>	<u>Due May 1<sup>st</sup></u>
\$2,205.00	\$286.65	\$2491.65	\$300.00	\$2191.65

Thank you for assuring that your payment and all forms are at the office by May 1<sup>st</sup> as this will help us to assure all travel information etc is input before we leave for camp mid-June.

**REGISTERED ONLINE:**

1. Please go to the Registration tab on our website.
2. Login with your existing username and password (If you forget your password this is not a problem. Call our office and we will reset your account).
3. NOW go to the section online titled 'Final Confirmation Details'.
4. Careful. Do NOT re-register your son.
5. SELECT your son's name. It is already there as he is registered.
6. Fill in ALL the questions (this is very important).
7. All questions must have an answer. Type N/A for a 'mandatory' space.
8. Hit SUBMIT.
9. If all information has been inputted, the completed form will be sent to us. If there are still missing fields, they will be highlighted in red. We will not see any of your son's information. Please go back& fill in what is highlighted in red. Then resubmit when all spaces are filled in.

Payment of the fees owing on May 1st, as reflected in the (enclosed) invoice will be applied to the credit card used to register your camper(s).

**REGISTERED BY MAIL:**

Enclosed please find included three forms: a final confirmation form, a camper information form and a medical information form. Please fill out these forms in full detail as soon as possible (along with any other pertinent forms) and mail all forms to the Toronto office along with payment of the amount shown on the (enclosed) invoice. Please avoid faxing forms as they do not come through clearly, thank you.

Payment of the fees owing on May 1st, as reflected in the (enclosed) invoice will be applied to the credit card used to register your camper(s).

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**MOOSE DEER POINT MARINA:** Except in special cases, all boys will be moved in and out of Camp from Moose Deer Marina on Twelve Mile Bay Road. This Marina is six miles from the Camp and offers safe access to Hurontario. To reach the Marina take Highway #400 to Twelve Mile Bay Road, about 100 yards south of the Moon River Bridge on Highway #400. Take the exit ramp for Twelve Mile Bay Road. Follow the road to Moose Deer Point Marina (about 15 minutes in from Highway #400 (see map)).

### **TORONTO OFFICE & GEORGIAN BAY SUMMER OFFICE DATES:**

**Our Toronto office (416 488 2077)** will remain open until June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. It will be closed for the summer on June 15<sup>th</sup> (no answering machine, fax, or email after June 15<sup>th</sup>). During the weekend there will be no communication as we move north. The Georgian Bay camp office will open on June 18.

**The Georgian Bay office (705 375 5306)** will open up at camp on June 18<sup>th</sup> & close Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. The Toronto office will reopen Tuesday August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Only for campers travelling home by bus on Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> \*\*\* VERY IMPORTANT \*\*\*** Please confirm any travel changes for campers traveling home by bus by July 17<sup>th</sup> / August 14<sup>th</sup>. Camp buses are finalized July 18<sup>th</sup> & August 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **SUMMER ADDRESS: Camp Hurontario, P.O. Box 251, Mactier, ON, P0C 1H0**

Please use this address for letters. Summer mail service is slow and **at least** a week should be allowed for a letter to get to Camp..

**SUMMER PHONE NUMBER:** Mactier (705) 375-5306. The phone is monitored from 9:30am to 11:30 am and again from 1:45pm to 3:00pm. Campers are not permitted to call home and parents should not phone and request to speak with a camper. If there is an emergency, please call and ask for a Director who is always on the island. The best time to call the camp is from 1:45pm to 3:00pm.

**PLEASE NOTE:** As all Hurontario staff are on a break out of camp, the camp office will be **CLOSED** from the evening of July 24<sup>th</sup> until Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup> after lunch. The camp phone will not be answered at this time.

**POCKET MONEY AND TRAVEL EXPENSES:** All traveling expenses, short trip costs, purchases at camp will go on the camper's account. Campers can charge fishing tackle, clothing, etc. If a camper requires a trip to Parry Sound for medical or dental care, a charge to cover costs will be indicated on the camper account. **There is no need for money at Camp.**

**PACKING FOR CAMP:** Please pack all items into a hockey or sports bag (please avoid bags with wheels). Sleeping bag, pillows, bulky items should go in the hockey bag. These types of bags are the easiest for us to transport.

### **BAGGAGE TAGGING:**

- It is very important that each piece of baggage has a securely attached name tag on it regardless of how a boy is coming to camp. Please tag paddles, life jackets etc.
- Please use tags the camp has provided (NON-PLASTICIZED) so further Camp information can be added. If you require more tags, they can be purchased at business supply stores.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** To assist the counselling staff in assuring your son an excellent camping experience, a letter, which briefly outlines your son's personality and interests, is very useful. Our counsellors benefit from these anecdotal accounts of your son's personality, so please write us a short note and send it along with the forms. Thank you.

**VALUABLES:** Any personal items such as iPods, watches, etc may be left at the camp office. However, the camp recommends such valuables should be left at home. Hurontario is not responsible for the loss of such items.

**PADDLE AND LIFEJACKETS:** Wearing a life jacket is compulsory for all campers and staff during all boating activities. Each camper should have his own **clearly identified lifejacket** (red/yellow are best). Please be sure that these fit properly and that they are bright, orange, red or yellow in colour.

**FISHING TACKLE:** Campers who already have tackle should bring a small selection in a tackle box. If tackle is to be purchased, we recommend buying through the camp as we receive a wholesale discount. A complete, carefully selected set costs approximately \$55.00 (plus HST). We teach each boy to use his equipment properly, so it should last a number of years.

**PARCELS:** Hurontario is unable to accept any parcels by mail. Also, the Camp serves three good meals a day and evening snacks daily, hence parents and other relatives are requested **NOT TO SEND ANY FOOD PARCELS**. Please assist us in this issue of potentially life-threatening importance.

**THE CAMP STORE ACCOUNT:** In addition to stamps, the Camp Store is stocked with biodegradable toiletries, insect repellent, flashlights, batteries, sweatshirts, tackle, etc. This account will be billed along with travel expenses at the end of each session. A reasonable Camp Store limit (excluding a fishing spinning outfit, pre-ordered clothing and travel costs) would be \$150.00. Pre ordered clothing can be picked up in Toronto or at camp.

**BIODEGRADABLE PRODUCTS: SAVE OUR WATER** For your convenience, Hurontario will sell biodegradable soap, body wash, shampoo and toothpaste at the Post Office. **\*\*\*If you wish to pre-order your son's supply of biodegradable products, please** indicate online or on the Final Confirmation Form. Any none biodegradables sent to camp will be packed to go home. Biodegradable products from the camp supply will be provided and then charged to the camper's account..

**SUN PROTECTION for CAMPERS and STAFF:**

Sunscreen will be used at Camp Hurontario for all campers whether a sunny or cloudy day, and especially near water and after swimming. To assist the Camp in its SUN PROTECTION programme, please discuss the importance of using sunscreen with your child Please be sure the SPF 30 also contains DEET to repel mosquitoes. Each counsellor will carry sunscreen. Protective clothing, baseball hats, lightweight long sleeved T-shirt can be purchased online or at camp.

**LOST & FOUND:** Lost and Found is such a problem at camp. The boys simply do not recognize their clothing or are having too much fun while we are trying to find out who owns what item!! What would make all this so much easier would be if there were clearly labeled names on all items, **even sleeping bags**, that come to camp. Please use our enclosed name tag form from Mabel's Labels .

**BAGGAGE LEFT AT CAMP or on the BUS:** Baggage which has been left behind will be taken to the camp's Toronto address where it will be tarped and left in a secure corner of the backyard for parents to pick up. If an item has been found, it is noted on the camper's invoice,



**PRIVATE BOAT: 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm at the Camp dock**

Please plan to arrive no earlier than 12:30 pm and no later than 1:30 pm. A health screening station will be set up for all campers arriving by private boat. Please avoid docking before 12:30 pm as the camp dock is just too busy. Please be sure your son has had lunch as lunch will be in progress.

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**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS for RETURNING from Two Week One Sessions**

**July Two Week 1: Thursday July 12<sup>th</sup> /  
August Two Week 1: Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**

**BY CAR: Moose Deer Point Marina 9:00 am**

Parents will meet the camp boats at the Moose Deer Point Marina (see map) at 9:00 am on Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. Staff members will be there to assist with loading camper baggage into parents' cars. A health screening station will be set up for all those parents and siblings going to the camp for a visit. Parents then go into camp for a visit. At 10:30 am, parents and departing campers will head back to the Marina. **\*If you are unable to come to camp for a visit, it is essential that you let the office know that you wish your son to come down at 9:00 in the morning with his bags.**

The cost for each family member to travel to camp by boat is \$20.00 (plus HST) per person round trip.

**BY PRIVATE BOAT: Private boats should plan pick up/visit of campers from 9:45-10:30 am.**

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**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS for COMING to camp for Two Week Two sessions:**

**July Two Week 2 Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>  
August Two Week 2 Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**

**TRAVEL TO CAMP**

**COMING BY CAR: 1:30 pm departure from Moose Deer point Marina**

**BY CAR:** Parents will meet the camp boats at Moose Deer Point Marina (see map) at 1:30 pm. Staff will assist with loading camper baggage into the camp barge. A health screening station will be set up for parents and campers. Parents & their son(s) will travel to camp on camp boats. There will be a tour before parents are taken back to their cars around 3:00 pm. Siblings travelling to camp wear their own lifejackets. **If you are unable to come for the tour, please let the office know before move in day.**

The cost for family members to travel to camp by boat is \$20.00 (plus HST) per person round trip. Please indicate online how many will visit. Travel charges will be charge to your account.

**COMING BY PRIVATE BOAT:** Please arrange to be at the camp dock at 1:30. Campers should have had their lunch as camp lunch will be over. Visiting is from 1:30 – 2:30.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS for RETURNING from TWO WEEK SESSION TWO :**

**July Two Week 2: Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> / August Two Week 2: Tuesday, August 21st**

**BY CAR: Moose-Deer Point Marina at 10:00 am**

Parents will meet the boys at the Marina. Boats from camp will arrive at Marina at 10:00am. There is a \$20 charge for boat transportation + \$20 charge for baggage barge + HST.

**BY BUS: 1:00 pm- Forest Hill Memorial Arena**

The return trip from Hurontario by charter bus will be supervised by staff members. Buses arrive at the Forest Hill Memorial Centre, 340 Chaplin Cres., between 1:00pm-1:45pm. There will be a stopover in Barrie at the Rona, 61 Maple View Drive East. Please be sure to indicate Barrie travel on the confirmation form. The buses will be at the Rona parking lot from 11:00 am to 11:30 noon. A light lunch will be provided for the trip home.

There is a \$44 bus charge to Toronto, \$34 to Barrie + \$20 for boat transportation + \$20 for baggage barge + HST.

**BY PRIVATE BOAT: 10:00am at camp dock.**

Private boats should plan to pick up campers between 10:00 am and 10:30 am. Please do not arrive before 10:00 am as the dock is too busy. Please try to arrive no later than 10:30.

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**AGAIN FOR 2018 - PURCHASE AMAZING HURONTARIO CLOTHING ONLINE**

**Again this year we are pleased to provide our ONLINE STORE for our camp clothing. The Hurontario Online Clothing Store is so simple and the clothing is made for camp life!**

**URL: [www.hurontariostore.com](http://www.hurontariostore.com) (no password required)**

**SHOP:** Our catalogue is complete with the hottest items of the season. Click through our custom designed clothing and purchase your Hurontario summer wardrobe!

**CHECKOUT:** Please fill out all the checkout fields to ensure that your son receives his clothing. Your credit card will be charged at the end of your son's session.

The Online store will be open from March 19<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>. **Any clothing purchased online by families living in the Greater Toronto Area will be picked up at the Toronto office**, 1 Ridge Drive Park on any of the following days: Monday, June 4, Tuesday, June 5, and Thursday, June 6 between 9:30 and 2:30. It is not possible to transport all ordered clothing to camp.

Any camp **clothing ordered by families from outside the Great Toronto Area and out of country** will be picked up at camp by the campers. The campers will sign their clothing order sheet when they pick up their order at camp. Ordered clothing will be labelled with indelible ink at camp before handing out. The ordered clothing will be handed out in the first days of camp sessions.



Many boys come to Camp with more items than needed. Items which are inappropriate for camp include iPods, electronic games, expensive sunglasses and e-readers (we like to see paper backs tucked into their bags). **Under no circumstances is the Camp responsible for the loss of such items.** Camp is a good place to wear old clothes. These should be selected for warm sunny weather and also with rainy and cool days in mind. Also, light-colored, long-sleeved clothes to repel mosquitoes are recommended.

**Please assure cell phones/tablets etc. are left at home. Hurontario is not responsible for these items.**

**PLEASE PUT NAME TAGS ON ALL CLOTHING AND CAMP ITEMS. \*\*\* Mabel's Labels\*\*\* has labels for everything including shoes, sandals, and toothbrushes! Be sure to label all items brought to camp.**

- 1 sleeping bag (light) for overnights (must be easy to roll small) **Clearly labelled.**
- 1 other sleeping bag for in-camp bedding and in case other bag gets wet. **Clearly labelled.**
- 1 30 litre dry bag to keep clothing, sleeping bag dry on overnights and trips **Very important!**
- 1 single blanket (added warmth)
- 1 pillow
- 2 pillowcases
- 10 pairs socks (please send dark ones)
- 10 pairs underwear
- 5 pairs shorts (best if quick dry material- Mountain Equipment Co-op has these)
- 8 t-shirts in dark colors
- 2 pair long pants - cotton is preferable - jeans are hard to dry
- 2 bathing suits
- 1 sun hat, sunscreen SPF 30 (minimum), 1 lip balm with sunscreen
- 2 lightweight long sleeved shirts, quick dry material, light-colored for bugs
- 2 warm sweaters
- 2 pairs of pyjamas
- 1 Government-approved PFD (brightly coloured & **clearly labelled**)
- 1 two piece rain suit (K-way type jackets are not waterproof). Please label clearly as they look alike
- 2 towels not too large and please label clearly (Hurontario quick dry towels are good)
- 2 pairs rubber soled shoes (please put names inside using Mabel's labels)
- 1 pair Teva type Sandals (please put names inside using Mabel's labels)
- 1 pair swim shoes (please put names inside using Mabel's labels)
- 1 paddle (named clearly, permanently) Hurontario can also provide

**TOILETRIES:****SAVE OUR ENVIRONMENT**

**For convenience, your son may purchase biodegradable soap, shampoo & toothpaste at the camp Post Office. Please order online in space provided. Each camper should bring the following:**

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| biodegradable shampoo in a plastic container | 1 toiletry bag (essential)                          |
| <b>biodegradable toothpaste</b>              | 1 toothbrush  |
| biodegradable soap in a plastic covered dish | Insect repellent (non-aerosol) (DEET 12%)           |
| Flashlight and <b>rechargeable</b> batteries | 1 Rod and reel, optional (can be purchased at camp) |
| 1 camera (optional)                          |   |
| Writing paper, pens, addressed envelopes     | 1 Nalgene water bottle (can be purchased at camp)   |

## ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF YOUR CAMPER

Hurontario's program is creative, flexible, energetic and full of opportunities to learn new social and sporting skills. The best part is that it is organized by the campers in a democratic process guided by our capable staff. There is really no such thing as a typical day in a camper's life! However, here is a sampling of what a day might be like!

7:30 am	Head to the water for Polar Bear swim with biodegradable soap & shampoo.
8:00 am	The rush to flagpole for morning announcements and skits
8:15 am	A charge to the dining hall for awesome breakfasts
8:45 am	Back to cabin for clean up; pick up lifejackets, hats, bug spray and off to session
9:00 am	Sessions begin: a morning of sailing on the Bay; art at an island; swim lessons; catching frogs and turtles for the bug house
11:45am	Morning sessions over, free time to climb ropes, see what came into the bug house, a game of waterpolo with another group
12:30am	Thank goodness it's time to eat- I'm starved
1:15 pm	Time for the post office to buy a new toothbrush; head to the cabin to get our gear ready for an afternoon in the sun (remember our hats and block)
1:45 pm	Afternoon activities: woodworking on a paddle; kayaking to practice rolls for the 'kayak roll club'; silkscreen a shirt to take home
4:45 pm	Free time; a challenge game of Frisbee golf; jumps from the tower; write a letter; a swim with masks and snorkels
5:30 pm	Dinner Time!! A crazy theme meal with special food to celebrate.
6:15 pm	Counsellors head to the post office for mail and snack for the group
6:30 pm	Time to dress up for campfire night; get bug repellent; warm shirt. Long slacks on and when the bell rings head to the campfire site
7:00 pm	An amazing evening of songs, skits, stories, and special snack of ice cream bars
9:00 pm	Time to head to the cabin with our counselors, pick up toothbrush, paste and soap. Wash up before settling into our beds
9:15 pm	Continuing reading our book from the camp library
9:30 pm	Maybe earlier if we are tired, had a big day, but definitely time to hit the hay and get a good sleep ready for another fun day at Hurontario

### **Mom, the food is amazing! Here is a day sampling of the best food for a hungry group of campers and staff.**

Breakfast:	Orange juice, Hot and cold cereal with milk, Yogurt, Bananas, Pancakes and bacon
Lunch:	Chicken Noodle soup, homemade bread, tossed salad, Homemade Lasagna Fresh fruit salad and homemade brownies, water, juice
Dinner:	Mixed vegetable salad, Roast beef and gravy, Mashed potatoes, fresh green beans, Butter tarts, water, milk
Snack:	Pizza on the point with a sing song to wash it down

