



Kumberland Gap Camp Standards

Camp standards provide a comfortable starting point. The following standards are similar to those established by the Western National Rendezvous and modified by Kumberland Gap.. Everyone should do the best they can to assemble a camp with clothing and gear that accurately represents history through the 1880's. We encourage those in the camping area to stay as period as possible during "guest" hours. (i.e. Stay in period dress while in camp, etc.).

These standards are the bare minimum expected by Kumberland Gap . All participants are encouraged to progress into ever more historically accurate representations of people from the past.

Our intent in these standards is not to discourage participation but rather to enhance the rendezvous experience. Camp security will ask you, gently, to avoid compromising the following camp standards, but standards will be enforced.

1. All visible clothing and gear should be As close to 1840's as possible but no later than late 1880's This applies to children as well as adults.
2. Participants should be in suitable period attire when in camp. Clothing doesn't need to be elaborate, just as historically accurate as possible..
3. Keep plastic water jugs and coolers covered at all times. When hauling water or ice to your camp, keep non-period containers covered. Burlap sacks, canvas, or hides work well to cover non-period containers.
4. Vehicles will be allowed in camp for loading and unloading only. Vehicles must be out of the primitive area prior to the "Guest hours" opening of the rendezvous and will not be allowed in camp again until after closing of a Guest Hours. Reasonable exceptions can be granted at the discretion of the Booshway.
5. Park in the designated areas. Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas may be towed at the owner's expense..
6. Parents are legally and financially responsible for the actions of their children.
7. All animals must be on a leash and attended by their owners. Owners are liable, legally and financially, for the actions of their pets.
8. Cannons are allowed at the discretion of the Booshway.
9. In the interest of safety, firearms used during shooting events must be unloaded prior to leaving the designated shooting area. Opening/closing ceremony participants may be allowed to use black powder firearms at the discretion of the Booshway. If firearm use is approved for opening/closing ceremonies, firearms must be loaded with a powder load only, NO projectiles, under the supervision of the Booshway or appointed safety person.
10. Place trash in designated areas. Bring your own trash bags for use in your camp. A plastic trash bag placed inside a burlap bag is a standard practice.
11. No chain saws.
12. Do not cut live trees.
13. Remove and preserve sod from your fire pit and replace it when you leave. Preservation of our site is important. Use an existing fire pit when possible. If it is not possible, do not leave a ring of stones when you leave; disperse the stones to their original location. Contact the Booshway for questions about fire pits.

1. Campfires must not be left unattended. This time of year is often quite dry and fires are a potential disaster. Check with the Booshway to ensure no fire bans are currently in place prior to lighting a fire.
2. You must have a period container of water (at least 3 gallons) and a shovel near your campfire.
3. Common sense would dictate extinguishing fires in high wind periods.
4. Fighting will not be tolerated. This includes domestic disturbances.
5. All local, state and federal laws regarding sales or consumption of alcohol apply in camp.
6. Participants are encouraged to use period containers for beverages.
7. Generators should be used with discretion in the modern camping area (if applicable) and are not allowed in the primitive camp. Be considerate and respectful of your neighbor and the period atmosphere when using a generator.
8. Additional: These are some things that are discouraged in camp during event hours: T-shirts, plastic rain gear, bikini or halter tops, tennis shoes, shower shoes, sandals, Uggs, combat boots, bathing suits, blue jeans, "modern cowboy" attire, Coleman or electric lanterns, flashlights, metal or plastic camp furniture.
9. If you have any questions about what is appropriate, write to the 1838 Rendezvous Association or contact the Booshway or Segundo.
10. We are a brand new Rendezvous; do the best you can until you can do better.

Traders

1. All trade goods should be pre-1880
2. The Booshway has the final authority over all disputes involving trade goods/trader structures/tents.
3. All furs and animal parts for sale must comply with local, state, and federal laws. Traders are responsible for the legality of their trade goods.
4. Any non-period materials should be kept out of sight at all times. This includes blister packs, styrofoam, blanket wraps, candy containers, etc.
5. Sticky tags are highly discouraged.
6. Books, magazines, patterns, original works or art and limited edition prints should pertain to the pre-1880's era.
7. Please keep jewelry to the style of the era.
8. All firearms for sale must be pre-1880, must have proper licensure to sell firearms. (FFL)
9. No tailgate setups will be allowed in the parking area.
10. All trading must be done from pre-1880's structures(or as close to as possible), except blanket traders.

Thank you for supporting the Kumberland Gap Rendezvous and helping us to preserve this site. Camp standards are subject to change. If you have any questions please contact the current Booshway. Their contact information can be found at www.kumberlandgap.com or by phone (660)525-2300



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