



# Massachusetts Junior Conservation Camp, Inc.

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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CAMPERS AND THEIR PARENTS:**

During the two weeks of the Massachusetts Sportsmen's Junior Conservation Camp session, each camper will have a chance to learn from an extremely comprehensive curriculum that includes: forestry; soil conservation; wildlife management; fisheries management; forest fire control; camping; archery; firearms safety and firearms fundamentals; casting; boating safety; and hunter education. Those who successfully complete the course requirements for boating safety and hunter education receive certificates from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Much of the Camp is spent in an educational environment and students are expected to be attentive, courteous and not disruptive, as that detracts from the experience of others. A large portion of the instruction is "hands-on," and campers will all participate in instruction that includes firearms of several types and archery equipment. The classes are all taught by certified instructors who expect campers to understand the seriousness of handling firearms, and archery equipment.

Staff instructors, and those coming in from state agencies and private organizations, are experts in their fields and expect a high level of cooperation from all campers. Any camper who disrupts Camp activities, or who by their behavior, causes safety concerns, will be dismissed from Camp with no refund. Campers need to be prepared to function in an environment, which, like school, expects good behavior and attentiveness.

The Camp has a "zero tolerance" policy regarding the use or possession of alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco products by campers. Possession of these is cause for immediate dismissal from camp with no refund, and local law enforcement officials will be involved where appropriate. These policies are in place to make sure that all campers have a safe and non-threatening environment for the two weeks and may enjoy the programs and the chance to learn about the outdoors.

I authorize the attendance of my child at camp and the use of photographs of him/her in publicity advertising in connection with the camp. I have read and discussed the attached "Camp Rules" with my child.

Signed (parent): \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the attached "Camp Rules" and understand what is expected of me at Camp.

Signed (camper): \_\_\_\_\_