CIRCLE SQUARE RANCH BIG CLEAR LAKE FAMILY VACATION RENTAL POLICY



Welcome to the Ranch!

At InterVarsity Circle Square Ranch Big Clear Lake (aka. The Ranch) we have a mission to see children and youth transformed into fully committed followers of Jesus. We do this by offering summer camps for ages 4-17. Over the last 40 years, the Ranch has impacted the lives of 1000s of young people who have met Jesus, been mentored and grown in all sorts of skills as they shared new experiences with friends at summer camp. By choosing to vacation at the Ranch, you are investing in our mission.

As a "Family Vacation Guest" we hope that you will also enjoy making memories at Big Clear Lake.

Expectations and Room Rental/Campground Rules will help make sure that the Ranch is a safe, enjoyable place for all guests and staff.

General Expectations

Summer campers come first. If summer campers are using a space or facility such as the barn, waterfront or sports field, it is not available for use by other guests. We will create a schedule to make sure everyone gets an opportunity to enjoy different spaces on property but access will be limited.

Health and safety measures are in place for all guests regardless of vaccination status or personal preferences. Households should always remain socially distant (2m or more) from each other.

Operating during a pandemic, with new facilities and limited resources requires a lot of creativity on the part of our staff team. Please be patient as we work with you to keep everyone safe and solve problems that arise.

Family Vacation Rules

- 1. **Parents/Guardians** are responsible for the care of their children at all times, even during camp programming (unless childcare is specified). Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult at the barn or waterfront.
- 2. Alcohol and marijuana are not allowed on property. Smoking is only permitted in a designated area (please speak to the Camp Host). No one under the influence of drugs or alcohol is permitted on property.

- 3. Use of the **barn**, waterfront and other camp facilities are limited to designated times.
- 4. On campsites or in rental rooms **quiet hours** are from 10pm 8am. Please be considerate of young families nearby after 8pm. If playing music, play softly so not to disturb others nearby or use headphones.
- 5. **Shirts and shorts** (or dress/cover-up) are required for all men, women and children when in public areas including at the beach except while in the water. Swimwear should be modest.
- 6. Keep it PG swearing or discussing sexual or other things that may not be appropriate for children is not okay.
- 7. Do not promote any **religious practices** other than those that align with the Circle Square Ranch Statement of Faith (below)
- 8. **Take care of our site**. Do not litter, destroy or damage property or wildlife. If you wish to make changes on or around your campsite including removal of brush, please ask for permission.
- 9. Do not enter other guests' campsites or rental rooms even if invited (due to COVID-19 precautions).
- 10. Do not bring **firewood** from off-property (to prevent spread of invasive species). Firewood can be purchased from the Ranch. It is permissible to collect firewood from the forest floor but do not break living branches or fell trees. Campfires must be in designated pits. In case of a regional fire ban, all fires will be prohibited.
- 11. When **fishing**, be cognisant of swimmers nearby. All fish must be thrown back unless the fisher has a fishing license AND intends to consume the fish that day for their household.
- 12. Family vacation guests are not permitted in the **"Western Town" building** unless they are reporting directly to the Ranch office. Masks and hand sanitation are required.
- 13. At the **barn**, guests are not permitted to enter the horse paddocks (go over the fences). Feel free to pet horses from the "people side" of the fence.
- 14. **Pets** are not permitted in rental rooms but may be at campsites. They must be on a leash at ALL times. Pets are not permitted in the swimming area or on the sand. ALWAYS pick up after pets.
- 15. The large **deep-water inflatables** can ONLY be used with the permission of a lifeguard during designated times.
- 16. Please **cooperate** willingly with Circle Square Ranch staff. Our seasonal staff are great young people who work at the Ranch as a ministry so please be kind.
- 17. Never engage in any **illegal activity**. This includes disregarding public health measures.

It is expected that all guests will contribute to the safety, fun and spiritual well-being of the Ranch by following these Family Vacation Rules. Circle Square Ranch reserves the right to require guests to leave in case of their non-compliance, at Ranch staff discretion, without refund.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in:

- 1. The only true God, the almighty Creator of all things, existing eternally in three persons Father, Son, and Holy Spirit full of love and glory.
- 2. The unique divine inspiration, entire trustworthiness and authority of the Bible.
- 3. The value and dignity of all people: created in God's image to live in love and holiness, but alienated from God and each other because of our sin and guilt, and justly subject to God's wrath.
- 4. Jesus Christ, fully human and fully divine, who lived as a perfect example, who assumed the judgment due sinners by dying in our place, and who was bodily raised from the dead and ascended as Saviour and Lord.
- 5. Justification by God's grace to all who repent and put their faith in Jesus Christ alone for salvation.
- 6. The indwelling presence and transforming power of the Holy Spirit, who gives to all believers a new life and a new calling to obedient service.
- 7. The unity of all believers in Jesus Christ, manifest in worshiping and witnessing churches making disciples throughout the world.
- 8. The victorious reign and future personal return of Jesus Christ, who will judge all people with justice and mercy, giving over the unrepentant to eternal condemnation but receiving the redeemed into eternal life. To God be glory forever.