



5th – 7th Participant Cell Phone, Video Game, & Personal Technology Rules

Personal cell phones, iPods, iPads are allowed in the 5th – 7th grade summer program. The following is an overview of rules and expectations for the use of personal electronics during our program. We hope this will provide a clear guideline for both campers and parents.

Video Game Policy: SPR Nintendo Switch & Wii (Personal gaming devices must stay home)

- Participants must check in with a staff member before playing the game system.
- Participants must wash their hands before using the game system.
- When the game system is in use, participants may play for 15 minutes before trading with another person.
- After playing the participant must wash their hands. The controllers will also be sanitized before being used by a new player.
- Time and cleaning will be monitored by the Staff. Staff have the right to restrict use of the game system during certain times and activities.

Cell Phone Policy:

- Although permitted, staff have the right to restrict use of personal devices during certain times and activities.
- From approximately 9:30am – 3:00pm there will be no technology use. During this time Teens will be participating in camp activities and field trips.
- Laptops and other bulky forms of technology are not allowed. Staff also retains the right to ban the use of specific types of devices if necessary.
- Participants are responsible for their own devices. Saco Parks and Recreation will not be held liable in the event that a device is damaged, lost, or stolen. Participants assume personal responsibility for all the content stored, played, and viewed on their devices, and ensuring it is appropriate. This includes any content from calls, messages, facetimes, etc.
- No sharing of devices.
- Staff may confiscate technology at any time in regard to the safety and happiness of all participants.
- Upon receiving any disciplinary action as indicated in the official SPR handbook, the individual's cell phone or technology may be confiscated for the remainder of that program day.
- All cell phone related disciplinary actions will go through the official SPR rules as well as the 5th – 7th Technology Policy:
 - **First offense:** Personal technology is confiscated from the individual for the remainder of the program day. The use of all personal technology during that day (including borrowing) is not permitted. Devices are returned at checkout.
 - **Second offense:** In addition to the first offense, personal technology including borrowing is then individually banned for 3 additional program days. May also result in days off from program.
 - **Third offense:** Personal technology including borrowing is individually and permanently banned from use in the program. Additional consequences include subsequent days off or possible removal from summer program.
 - *Staff reserves the right to adjust these consequences based upon the severity of individual offences.* This includes the possibility of days off or removal from summer program.
- When a device is confiscated the owner may be asked to show offensive material to leaders and directors. Refusal to cooperate will serve as an admission of guilt and may also add to the severity of the offence.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____

****By signing as a participant, you agree to abide by the rules and consequences as stated above.**