



Taylor Statten Camps Long Canoe Trip Information & Application Policy

The Long Tripping programme at the Taylor Statten Camps is for many the pinnacle of their summer camping experience and for many it becomes a “rite of passage” to participate in each of the trips. For this reason, most long trips are oversubscribed each year. In response to this, the Taylor Statten Camps has developed an application policy to ensure fairness and experience are taken into account when allocating spaces on long trips each year

Long Canoe Trips 2022

Temagami – Extended canoe tripping for campers that already have previous Algonquin Park canoe tripping experience. Trips leave from various access points in Temagami. Highlights may include visits to Paradise Lagoon, McConnell Bay and many new destinations.

Killarney – A picturesque loop on one of the most historical parks in Ontario. Highlights include picturesque Silver peak, and Group of Seven historical sites. **Please Note:** This trip depends solely on campsite availability in Killarney Provincial Park. It is not guaranteed every year – please ensure your child has a second choice trip in mind when registering.

Barron River – Starting at Canoe Lake, campers trip across the west side of Algonquin Park all the way through to the east side culminating in Barron Canyon. Highlights include Lake Eustache, the Petawawa River, and passage through remote corners of Algonquin Park not previously reached on normal park trips.

Kipawa – 22 days in the Kipawa region in Quebec, with passage through La Verendrye Provincial Park. Highlights include Lake Kipawa and Turner Falls.

Obabika – 30 days of tripping in Temagami & Biscotasing region. This trip is specifically designed for campers unable to return to camp for the last 12-Day August session due to academic commitments (the trip runs for the first six weeks of camp sessions, see Rates & Dates section on the TSC website for more information).

Quetico – 36 days of canoe tripping in Quetico Provincial park in western Ontario. Highlights include visits to Rebecca Falls, and experiencing parts of Lake Superior National forest.

Ishpatina – 36 days of canoe tripping through the Biscotasing and Temagami regions of Ontario. Highlights include visits to Ishpatina Ridge (the highest point in Ontario) and Smooth Water Provincial Park.

Bisco – 42 days of Canoe Tripping in Biscotasing and Temagami. Highlights may include Rocky Island Lake, the Town of Biscotasi, Sunny Water Lake and the Spanish River.

50-Day – The Big One. Campers work together with their staff to plan their last canoe trip as campers. Routes may include passage through Biscotasing, Temagami, Kipawa, Killarney, Lake Superior, the French River and Algonquin Park.



Age guide

Trip	Duration	Min Age	Priority Age	Pre-requisite*
Temagami	varies	12		Algonquin Park Canoe Trip of 4+ nights
Killarney	11 day	12		Algonquin Park Canoe Trip of 4+ nights
Barron River	12 day	13		Algonquin Park Canoe Trip of 4+ nights
Kipawa	22 day	13	14**	Killarney or Barron River
Obabika	30 day	14	15	Kipawa
Quetico	36 day	14	15*	Kipawa
Ishpatina	36 day	14	15*	Kipawa
Bisco	42 day	15	16*	Kipawa, Obabika, Quetico or Ishpatina
50-Day	50 day	16	16*	Quetico, Bisco, or Ishpatina

(*Please see special provisions for Priority Age and Pre-requisite for Summer 2022 below)

(** Due to Covid it has not been possible to take these trips previously and all applicants are welcome to apply, subject to successful completion of TSC's trip survey)

Application Process – All applicants are asked to state their 1st and 2nd choices for canoe trips. Priority for places on trips will be given to those according to the stated Priority Age and canoe trip experience pre-requisites. Although the time of application is not necessarily a determining factor in a successful application (i.e. places on Long Trips are not generally allocated on a first come first serve basis), applications made on or prior to 31 December 2021 will be given first consideration. Applications received after this date will be considered subject to capacity restrictions.

Application Questionnaire – TSC understands that due to the impact of Covid-19, many of our returning campers have not participated in camping and physical outdoor activities as they normally would have during the Summers of 2020 and 2021. To ensure the safety of your camper on a TSC Long Canoe Trip, TSC will be implementing a camper Questionnaire/Prequalification process designed to ensure the 'fitness' of each applicant matches their intended canoe trip. Questionnaires will be emailed to families after an application for a Long Trip has been made. All information provided will be kept confidential and TSC may implement pre-trip workshops upon arrival at camp as needed. Depending on the needs of each cabin grouping, the start of a Long Canoe trip may include in-camp training sessions prior to embarkation.

Special Provisions for 2022 due to the Covid-19 closures of TSC in 2020 & 2021 - All 2021 enrolled campers that stayed registered with us until 03 May 2021 will be considered returning campers and will be eligible for priority registration for the 2022 summer Long Trip program. In addition, campers participating in our Long Canoe Trip program may progress to the next tier in 2022, as if they had completed the pre-requisite in 2021, if desired. Campers that will become of CIT (counsellor-in-training) age (17 or turning 17 on or before 31 December 2022) may choose to participate in the canoe trip they will have missed in 2021, or participate in our CIT program as a member of our Summer staff in 2022 (although kindly note that we are unable to accept any



camper that has reached the age of 18 years by the start of camp or at any time during their camp session).

Covid-19 Impact on Long Canoe Trips – In the event the Taylor Statten Camps is required to cancel 2022 camper sessions due to Covid-19, it may still be possible to operate Long Canoe Trips in 2022, subject always to full compliance with Covid-19 related regulations. Should camper days at Ahmek and Wapomeo be limited or curtailed due to Covid-19, the Taylor Statten Camps may still operate some or all Long Canoe Trips (again, subject always to full compliance with Covid-19 related regulations), and will reimburse you, on a discounted prorated daily basis, for previously paid for full days not spent at Ahmek or Wapomeo, at the discretion of the Taylor Statten Camps.

Deposits – As with all one-month sessions at TSC, Temagami, Killarney, Barron River, and Kipawa, require a deposit of \$1500 payable upon application. For Quetico, Ishpatina, Bisco and 50 day canoe trips (two-month sessions), a deposit of \$2500 is payable upon application. This deposit is deemed non-refundable once space is confirmed by TSC on any of these special canoe trips. The balance is payable on April 1st.

Notification Policy – In accordance with our Terms & Conditions confirmation of a place and cabin mates on a special canoe trip will usually be provided by the mid-March. Confirmation of staffing for special trips are usually confirmed by end of May.

Cabin Mate Requests – The TSC cabin group policy will apply (see Terms & Conditions), however because of the importance of canoe trip dynamics and cohesion, applications from submitted, reciprocal cabin requests of up to seven (7) campers may be given preference in the application process. Canoe trips may consist of between four (4) to seven (7) campers. Groups consisting of less than seven (7) may have members added at the discretion of TSC management. No guarantees of particular staff or cabin mates are given at any time.

Minimum Ages – The minimum age requirement of a special trip means the age of the camper on or before December 31 on the calendar year of the canoe trip. Meeting the minimum age requirement is not a guarantee of a place on any canoe trip, although all campers must meet the age and other requirements to be part of a grouping; just being friends with a group of people is not the only factor that is taken into account.

Custom Garments – As cabin groupings and staff allocations are subject to change, TSC requests that campers and parents do NOT produce custom canoe trip commemoration garments or other items (listing staff and camper participants) until after the canoe trip is complete and has returned to camp. TSC is unable to provide compensation for any losses incurred in the production of custom garments due to unforeseen camper or staff changes prior of during canoe trip.

Counsellor-In-Training Leadership Programme

Upon reaching the age of 17, many campers choose to make the transition from camper into TSC staff member. You must be at least 17 years old on or before December 31 of your CIT year to be



able to participate in TSC's CIT Programme. This is one of the reasons that TSC places minimum age requirements on its tripping programme to ensure that campers make a smooth progression from camper into its leadership training programme. Parents are asked to plan and consider carefully their child's progression through their senior years of TSC's in-camp and long trip programme to take into account their wish for their child to become a CIT at the age of 17.

There are limited spaces on TSC's CIT Programme each Summer; priority for positions is always given to returning campers that have participated in TSC's Long Trip Programme the previous year.