



BC Council

Guidelines for Girls and Guiders

APPLYING
FOR

PROVINCIAL

&

INTERPROVINCIAL

CAMPS



IT'S EASY AS 1 • 2 • 3

- 1... Complete your Application
- 2 ... Arrange for your References
- 3... Submit to Province by the Deadline

BEFORE YOU START...

- ◆ Type or use **black pen** on the application forms.
- ◆ **Read the** application forms over **first**.
- ◆ Complete **every** section.
- ◆ Get all the necessary **signatures**.



1...Completing the Application

The complete application consists of:

- **Application form** –all pages
 - Fill in all applicable information.
- **Camp record sheet (BC 307)**
 - Complete thoroughly - ask your Guider for help.
- **Non-Guider Reference**
 - Someone who knows you well.
- **Guider Reference**
 - A Guider who has camped with you lots and knows your skills and experience.
- **Personal Health Form (H1)**
 - Complete every line and have your parent/guardian sign.
- **Handwritten or Typed Letter**
 - Sell yourself and explain what benefits you will gain and then share with others. Explain why you want to go to that particular camp.
- **Code of Conduct**
 - Signed by both you and your parent/guardian.

IMPORTANT!! Allow plenty of time to get all your paperwork done. A Guider who is rushed writing you a reference may not have the time to give a thorough and thoughtful perspective.

2...References

Non-Guider reference should be written by someone who knows you well.

Guider reference should be written by someone who has camped with you recently and who knows your skills and abilities in the outdoors. If you are in a new unit, then ask your previous Guider for her support

Choose your references carefully ~ the people who write about you carry a great amount of influence on your application. Share the “Tips for Reference Writers” section with them.

3...Submission to Province

Ensure your **reference writers are aware of the deadline.**

Province must receive the complete application *on or before* the deadline so make sure that your **method of mailing** allows enough time.

Do not fax references or applications.

For Guider Applications....

There is less paperwork involved with a Guider application but all the same criteria are in place.

- ‰ Application Form
- ‰ Guider Reference
- ‰ Non-Guider Reference
- ‰ Personal Health Form (H2)
- ‰ Code of Conduct
- ‰ Handwritten or typed Letter

Follow the directions as stated and good luck!

Tips for reference writers:

Know about the event and qualifications, and comment on the applicant in relation to the camp.

Be descriptive – use a Thesaurus to find good alternative wording.

Be specific - give examples if possible.

Complete honesty is necessary in your evaluations of the applicant. References are confidential.

Write a rough copy first – edit and add over several days.

Type the reference – this allows more information to be included on the form. Use only the lines provided, no additional paper.

Use phrases and bullets instead of sentences to save space.

Avoid stating the applicant's name in the body of the reference.

Relatives may not write a reference.

If You Are Selected.....

Congratulations!!!

You are soon going to represent B.C. Guiding at a fantastic event. The experiences you enjoy will be among the most memorable and exciting of your life. You were chosen because of your maturity, abilities and confidence, and because you are one of the best representatives of girls and Guiders in the Province!

Your **travel arrangements** will be made by Provincial Camping Committee and you will be notified of the details just as soon as they are available. Do not become concerned if the information about your trip seems slow in arriving – often finalizing bookings and costs for group travel is unavoidably delayed.



After your return, remember to write to Province and tell us of your experiences.... we love to hear from our travelers. Also plan to share with Units at home – you may just be the inspiration other girls and Guiders need to apply next year.

HAVE A WONDERFUL TRIP!!

