



# **“Hooked On Tahosa”**

## **Fly Fishing Merit Badge Program 2019**



# "HOOKED ON TAHOSA" 2019 REGISTRATION

- ◆ **Must be 13 years old or older by January 1, 2019 to register!\*\***
- ❖ Registrations are accepted on a first come first serve basis.
- ◆ Each participant must have completed a registration and health history form 30 days prior to the start of the course.
- No refunds** unless Program Director cancels course. Fees can be transferred to other participants.
- Return registration form to: Mary Ann Romero, Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America; 10455 West 6th Avenue; Suite 100; Denver CO 80215.
- ✉ For any additional questions or comments – website: [www.bsacoloradoadventure.org](http://www.bsacoloradoadventure.org) or email: camping@denverboyscouts.org.

Group or Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Group Size \_\_\_\_\_

Leader's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Scout's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day Time) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening Time) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Available Dates and Fees

**May 4 or May 11      Fee: (1 Day; \$40)**

### Health History

Health/Accident Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Have (✓ if yes):

- |                                   |                                      |   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma   | <input type="checkbox"/> Fainting    | <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart trouble |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding | <input type="checkbox"/> Convulsions | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies (medication, food, insect toxin) |  |

Difficulty with (✓ if yes):

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Digestion | <input type="checkbox"/> Lungs | <input type="checkbox"/> Eyes, Ears, Throat |
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Current conditions requiring medication/other special care. Name of medication. \_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions of activity for medical reason? Explain \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent Authorization (Youth under age 18)

This health history is correct as far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted by me. In the event, I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give my permission to the physician, selected by the adult leader in charge, to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### Authorization (Adult Participation)

This health history is correct as far as I know. In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician, selected by the adult leader in charge, to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or order injection for myself if I am unable.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

I grant my permission to use any photographs taken at Camp Tahosa to further the mission of the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Participant's initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Welcome to the Camp Tahosa Fly Fishing Merit Badge program for 2019. "Hooked on Tahosa" is located at the Denver Area Council's high adventure base, Camp Tahosa, at the foot of the Indian Peaks Wilderness Area. Approximately 20 miles northwest of Boulder, Colorado, the camp's 300 acres of woodland sits at 9,000 feet in elevation. In 2019, we are offering two one-day programs on either Saturday, May 4th or May 11th.

Come experience intensive flyfishing instruction for Scouts, parents and leaders. Learn to cast, set up your rod and reel, and understand the nature of fly fishing. Camp Tahosa is one of the best places to learn how to fly fish. Identify different types of wet and dry flies, learn about the bugs and creatures that fish eat and how you can effectively mimic their movements. All equipment is provided to learn to fish: rods, reels, leader, tippet, and flies. Learn to tie your own flies, as well as, appreciate the importance of regulations, angler ethics and how to integrate the Outdoor Code into your fishing experience. Camp Tahosa's Tumbleson Lake is a private lake, so state fishing licenses are not required.

Individuals, as well as Scouting units are encouraged to attend. Please note the participation level is capped at 12 per session, (minimum of 6) in order to keep a lower student/instructor ratio and personalized instruction. Groups interested in camping overnight should contact the Denver Area Council Camping Department and make their own arrangements for accommodations. Groups and individuals will be responsible for their own meals.

**Requirements:** Due to the nature of the flyfishing sport and amount of information presented, attending Scouts have to be **First Class Rank or above and 13 years old by January 1, 2019**. At least 50% of the group must be youth members, however adults are encouraged to participate as space permits and to help, learn and experience. **IMPORTANT: All participants must BE PREPARED. The weather at the camp can be a factor (Spring time in the Rockies usually has wind, rain and snow showers) and can change without notice. Participants who arrive at camp without weather appropriate clothing, risk not being able to participate in the outdoor activities, should advise weather conditions exist. All youth must be accompanied by a responsible adult. No drop-offs will be accepted.**

### **Fees:**

- ◆ One day: \$40 per Scout or adult participant.
- ◆ Scholarships are available through the Denver Area Council.
- ◆ One Day program price includes: loan of flyfishing equipment, souvenir patch and fly box with flies. Participants must supply their own meals.
- ◆ Other souvenirs, shirts and other items available at Trading Post.
- ◆ **Registrations are on a first-come/first-served basis. Only fully paid reservations will be accepted.**



### **Required Gear:**

Scouting Ten Essentials (See BSA Handbook)  
Sunglasses (Preferably polarized)  
Hat  
1 pair of sturdy shoes, boots, or high-top sneakers  
Water bottle  
Backpack or day pack  
Jacket/sweater  
Wind and rain gear  
1 pair of long pants  
1 long sleeved shirt, 1 short-sleeved shirt  
Sunscreen  
Merit Badge Blue Cards

***Open mind and smiles!***

### **Summary:**

You may be able to go fishing every once in a while, and you may end up catching some fish, but the real gem in the "Hooked on Tahosa" program is that it provides far more than a walk down to the pond. You can learn about the art and precision of nature at its best. Fly fishing at Camp Tahosa can teach you how fish find their food, how you can replicate some of the natural food items fish eat, how you can tell where the fish are feeding and on what, and get to know and experience your natural resources through fly fishing. Become a better naturalist, fisherman, and good steward of the environment through the experience of fly fishing at Tahosa.

**We will practice Catch and Release while fishing in this program.**

### **Optional Gear:**

Personal fly fishing gear (shore fishing only)  
Insect repellent

### **Gear Provided by Camp Tahosa:**

Fly Rod and Reel  
Fly tying vise and materials  
Nets, hemostats and other supplies  
A fly box with 6 flies

***Those who have their own equipment are encouraged to bring and use their own.***



**For more information, please contact Ron Williams at (720) 278-8943 OR email at: [hookedontahosa@denverboyscouts.org](mailto:hookedontahosa@denverboyscouts.org)**

