

CTPC On-water Games

Thoughts

We need games to play on the water with our young campers or students that help them learn or practice skills while having fun. What are the principles of constructing safe and interesting games? What are some examples?



Prerequisites: *basic paddling skill level*

Next Step:

ACA Essentials of Kayak or Canoe Touring.

Topics Covered

Paddlers young and old can benefit from fun on-water games as a learning experience. We will cover the principles of on-water game safety and learn how various games can be used to teach specific skills. We will cover the role of the counselor or instructor in setting up and controlling games and how to arrange competitive and non-competitive games that are fun to play. Participants will leave with a toolbox of games.

Details and Requirements

This 2 - 4 hour course designed for counselors, leaders or instructors with L1 skills or better. Course is planned for group participation in a suitable flat-water environment such as a lake, cove, pool or similar protected water.

Basic Equipment includes a properly outfitted kayak, canoe or SUP with paddle and appropriate safety equipment including PFD, spray skirt, paddle float, pump or bailer and sling (where applicable) and games equipment such as buoys, floating balls, sponges, ropes, etc. This equipment can be provided if needed, although it is best to use your own equipment. Please advise us on your equipment needs prior to the class.

Personal Equipment recommendations include clothing suitable for immersion (synthetics, no cotton) and water shoes (no open-sided sandals). The student should come prepared for brief periods of immersion while playing games. Some students prefer to use nose-clips, earplugs, and/or swim goggles during immersion – all are acceptable, though generally not required. Other items of personal responsibility include: sunglasses, sunscreen, hat with visor, bug repellent and spare (dry) clothing. In cooler weather or on windy days a wind breaker may offer comfort.

NOTE: We are not responsible for lost or damaged personal items. Plan to leave electronic keys, cell phones, etc. on shore or in a floating, waterproof container. Consider retention aids for prescription glasses, hats and other items dear to you.

Special Requirements

Please bring your desire to have fun and a spirit of adventure. In order to best serve you please advise us of any personal issues when registering so that we can prepare in advance for special paddling equipment. Let us know in confidence of any medical issues prior to the start of class. We can accommodate most concerns.

Costs and Fees

Class Fee	Boat and Gear Rental	CTPC Participation Card
Inquire	Available, inquire	Available on request