

# Fort Washita Rendezvous

## April 2-6

### CAMP RULES

There are rules we must follow to continue to preserve this historic site.

All camps must be kept clean and orderly at all times and completely cleaned at the end of the event.

**Camper** — Any one person or group of people camping with historically correct tents, bedding, dishes, etc.

**Primitive camping fees** — Waived.

**Alcohol** — No alcoholic beverages allowed!

**Dogs** — Must be on a leash at all times while outside the lodge. This will be monitored 24/7. There will be zero tolerance. A breach will result in the owner being asked to remove the dog from the site immediately.

**Fires** — All fires must be above ground (no digging pits). This is in accordance with tribal regulations concerning digging at historic sites. All fires must be fully extinguished when left unattended. A full bucket of water should be kept within 10 feet of the fire.

**Firearms** — No loaded firearms in camp. Weapon demonstrations are to be given in specified areas only. All powder must be kept a minimum of 15 yards from any fire.

**Animals** — All animals, with exception of dogs, horses and mules must be pre-approved by the site manager. All horses must have Coggins papers.

**Places** — There will be no saving or staking out of places. We are on a first-come, first-served basis only.

**Vehicles** — Vehicles should not be in the camp after setup. There is a one-hour unload time once the rendezvous begins. All vehicles must be parked in the designated areas and will not be driven into the camp area at night. It disturbs the primitive experience for your fellow campers at the rendezvous.

### TRADERS RULES

There are rules we must follow to continue to preserve this historic site.

Traders must follow all rules set for campers as well.

**Trader** — Any one person or group of people with a trade blanket larger than 5 feet by 7 feet or a trade tent.

**Traders' fee** — Traders' fee is \$100. The fee includes \$20 traders' bucks.

**Trader hours** — Wednesday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Sunday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Alcohol** — No alcoholic beverages allowed!

All traders must be in period clothing during public hours.

A trader must pass inspection by the trade committee prior to selling any goods. Items sold should be for the direct use of the reenactor in living history interpretations.

### By agreement, the following items are prohibited:

Grab bags, anything plastic (beads, containers, etc.), poppers or fireworks, dream catchers, rubber-soled moccasins, artificially dyed leather or feathers, polyester fabrics or modern prints, splatter or enameled cookware, cups or dishes.

No items with an origin date after 1842 (the year Fort Washita was established). Modern arts and crafts in any medium, cassettes or CDs, modern jewelry, lead items intended for children, keychains, squeaky toys, bugs in a box, flags of any state that came into the Union after 1840 (Confederate, Oklahoma, Texas, etc.).

**Whips, knives, axes, bows and arrows or guns** will not be sold from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday and Friday. These items may be sold at all other times. These items may be displayed at all times.

**Plastic wrappings** may not be used in display. Any item requiring wrapping for preservation, other than food, may not be sold. All wrapped items must be hidden from view, with an unwrapped item used for display.

**Trader vehicles** — Will NOT be able to unload or load on school days (Thursday and Friday) from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. At all other times, you are required to unload and move your vehicle to the designated parking area, then set your camp. Early arrival Sunday, March 30, will allow for a more leisurely setup. No vehicles are permitted on Traders Row Wednesday-Saturday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or on Sunday from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. (the last day of the event).

**RV campers** — Semi-hookup \$5 per night. *Limited number of electrical hookups are available. First-come, first-served basis only. No reservations will be accepted.*

There will be a designated area for RV campers with a generator. First-come, first-served basis, no reservation accepted.

**Booshway** — The booshway has final say on all disputes. **The booshway is Diane (Bones) Ganter Pike.**

All campers and traders will need to be packed and leave by April 7.

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Located within the Chickasaw Nation thirteen miles east of Madill or sixteen miles west of Durant on State Highway 199.