



USS COBIA "The Nation's Most Completely Restored WWII Submarine" Overnight Education Program

Chaperone Responsibilities

DISCIPLINE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ADULT CHAPERONES. ADEQUATE SUPERVISION MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE VISITING GROUP AT ALL TIMES.

Chaperones must have control of the Overnight group. For your safety, the group is expected to follow all directions and any special instructions issued by Museum staff members. Failure to comply with these rules, directions, or special instructions by any member of the Overnight party will lead to expulsion of the entire party and forfeiture of the program fee.

Rules of Conduct

To ensure a safe and pleasant visit, all Overnight participants aboard USS COBIA will abide by the following rules.

1. No running or "horse play" aboard the submarine, on the Riverwalk, or in the Museum.
2. No participants, including adults, are to leave the submarine or walk on deck unless accompanied by a Wisconsin Maritime Museum staff member.
3. The submarine is now outfitted with heat and air conditioning. Please make sure to secure the doors when entering and exiting the sub.
4. Adults must remain with the group at all times. Adults who leave the premises will not be permitted to return.
5. Do not operate any equipment, turn switches, open any control panels, or otherwise disturb any equipment on the submarine. Everything on board is considered an historic artifact and must be treated with the proper respect.
6. Do not enter restricted areas without permission of the Wisconsin Maritime Museum staff. This includes the interior and exterior of the Conning Tower.
7. While on deck, do not go outside the wire rope barriers or out on the bow or stern of the boat at any time. The metal and wood portions of the deck are usually wet and slippery after dark.
8. Do not climb on any deck guns, periscopes, or lookout platforms.
9. Do not block any passageways or ladders to access hatches with personal gear, boxes, coolers, etc. Stow all of your supplies safely out of the way.
10. Sleep only in assigned bunks in designated areas. At least one adult must stay in each of the sleeping areas to supervise the group berthed there.
11. Exercise caution when climbing into and out of bunks. When in any of the upper bunks, be mindful of equipment, pipes, valves, and light bulbs that are mounted overhead.
12. Do not wear shoes while in the bunks. Shoes are mandatory whenever participants are not in their bunks.
13. Do not turn off/on any lights unless instructed to do so by a Staff Member.
14. No cooking is allowed on board the submarine. All food must be consumed in the Crew's Mess.
15. The group will clean all areas occupied on board the submarine to the standards of the Wisconsin Maritime Museum staff, and the boat will be inspected for damage and cleanliness before the group departs.

ANYONE damaging the USS COBIA will be prosecuted. Groups responsible for damage will pay for REPAIRS, REPLACEMENT, OR RESTORATION of damage to the historic fabric and all associated costs, including acquisition or fabrication of replacements for damaged items. There will be no limit to this cost, and the cost will be determined by the Wisconsin Maritime Museum.