# INFO BOOKLET

Summer camps Holland




Location Basecamp Braamt
2027

Summer Camps Holland

# Dear Summer camper!

**Dear Summer Camper and Summer Camp Parents/Guardians,**

**The countdown has begun, just a few weeks to go until your may camp starts at the Base Camp at Markant. Outdoorcentrum in Braamt. Throughout the week, you'll engage in fun activities and make new friends.**

**This booklet contains all the information you need for your holiday. Have your parents/guardians read this booklet too, so they are well informed about your camp.**

**We are incredibly excited to experience an amazing week together with you! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our staff members.**

**Enjoy and see you at Summer Camps!**

**On behalf of,**

**The Summer Camps Holland Crew**



# GENERAL INFORMATION & (EMERGENCY) NUMBERS

## Summer Camps Holland Data

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Address | : | Gildeweg 7<br>7047 AR Braamt |
| Office Phone | : | 0314 – 680688 |
| Website | : | www.summercamps.nl |
| E-mail | : | info@summercamps.nl |

## Locatie gegevens basecamp

Markant Outdoor Centre

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Address | : | Gildeweg 7<br>7047 AR Braamt |
| Office Phone | : | 0314 – 680688<br>We are reachable at this number during the day between 09:00 and 17:00. |
| Website | : | www.markant-outdoorcentrum.nl |
| E-mail | : | info@markant-outdoorcentrum.nl |

## Emergency number

Emergency number: 06 – 20 869 888

- Use this number only in case of emergencies such as acute family circumstances, etc.
  See also 'Tips for calling"

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# All practical matters

# DIRECTIONS

**Directions to Summer Camps Holland / Markant Outdoor Centrum**

**From Arnhem:**
On the A18, take exit 2 (Wehl) towards Zeddam/'s-Heerenberg, turn left at the Kilder roundabout. From here, follow the Doetinchemseweg and turn right at the brown signs 'Markant Outdoor Centrum, Braamtseweg. Markant is located after 1 km on the right.

**From Enschede:**
On the A18, take exit 3 (Doetinchem) and turn right, then follow the brown signs 'Markant Outdoor Centrum'.

At the traffic lights, turn left. Continue to follow the road; go straight at the roundabout, over the viaduct. Take the first left (Braamtseweg), Markant is located after 1 km on the right.

**General:**
For GPS systems: Gildeweg 7 in Braamt.

**Parking**
Park in the parking lot at the Outdoor Centre next to the main entrance. Parking on the roadside along the Gildeweg is not allowed.

**Public transport**
From Arnhem, you can take the train to Winterswijk or Doetinchem. Get off at Wehl station, and we can pick you up there; we will also bring parents back to the station. Note: To be picked up, please contact us by email 5 days in advance so we can schedule it for you!

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# Map
# Markant Outdoor Center

## LEGENDA

**ACTIVITEITEN**

1. Mountainbike verhuur
2. Klimtoren
3. Kanostoep
4. Kleine vlotvaarstrand
5. Robinsonbosje
6. Bamboestieken
7. Kleine boogschietbaan
8. Touwbrug
9. Vlotoversteek
10. Klimbosje
11. MTB trail/Montferlandroute
12. Beachvolleybalveld
13. StandUp paddling
14. DirtKings
15. Stormbaan
16. Grote vlotvaarstrand
17. Event Tower
18. Grote boogschietbaan
19. Tokkelbaan
20. Survivalbos
21. Klimnet
22. Paintball / Archery tag
23. Door de band
24. lopende A

**TERREINEN**

- A Boomgaard met restaurant en Outdoor
- B Parkeerterrein
- C Terrein groepsgebouw
- D Gildeveld
- E Broampsveld
- F Kampeerveld 't Loo
- G Outdoor & activiteitenterrein
- H Shooting Gameveld
- I De outdoorvijver
- J Visoever

**GEBOUWEN EN TENTEN**

- K Kantoor en info
- L Groepsaccommodatie Mooi Verblijf
- M Safaritenen
- N Safarikooktent
- O Groepstenten
- P Groep- en kooktent
- Q Douche- en toiletgebouw
- R Restaurant Woodies
- S Horecatent

**OVERIG**

- I Houthok
- II Kampvuurplaats
- III Paddenpoel
- IV Borrelstrand




MARKANT outdoorcentrum

# The Location Basecamp Braamt

Summer Camps Holland has a unique location in the Netherlands near Doetinchem. In the Achterhoek village of Braamt, in the middle of the Stroombroek Recreation Area, lies Markant Outdoorcentrum, with the recreational lake 'Stroombroek' within walking distance. A fantastic location in the heart of nature that serves as the home base for all Summer Camps in Braamt.

Markant Outdoorcentrum boasts its own outdoor area and accommodation site with a recreational pond. On this pond, all water activities are organized, such as raft building, canoeing, and paddleboarding. The outdoor area is also used for climbing, zip-lining, archery, archery tag, survival activities, mountain biking, etc., etc. And, of course, you'll stay at the base camp in safari tents, group tents, or group accommodations and play evening games on our own grounds.

Breakfast, dinner, as well as movie nights and themed nights, take place at the restaurant, which is our Summer Camps home base during the summer months.

Together with other participants, you're going to have lots of fun and adventures! We have put together a complete and varied program and, together with you and your fellow campers, we will create a fantastic week!







# ARRIVAL, TOUR AND DEPARTURE

| Arrival | Departure |
| --- | --- |
| Tuesday<br>11:00 AM–11:30 AM<br>11:30 AM opening | Friday<br>13:45 PM-14:15 PM<br>=> sleeping in the car |

## Arrival

On Tuesday between 11:00 AM and 11:30 AM, you are expected at the camp site. Our crew will be waiting for you at the campsite. On the campsite you register at the registration tables at the campsite. For parents/guardians, coffee is available!

At 11:30 AM, the week will be officially opened by our Summer Camps Crew at the campsite.

## Tour parents/caregivers

After the opening of the camp, we provide a tour of the campsite for the parents/guardians or other drop-offs. During the tour, we share some information about our organization, Summer Camps Holland, and you will see the important places where the children stay, play, eat, etc. The meeting point is the accommodation around 11:30 AM.

## Departure

On Friday between 13:45 and 14:15, the camps end, and the children are picked up. The meeting point is at the main entrance near the campsite. We will take a nice group photo there, and the participants will say goodbye to their fellow campers.

For those picking up the children, coffee and tea will be available.

> Saying goodbye for a week is often much harder for the parents and caregivers than for the children.



# The ins and outs of the camp.

# Program & age groups

When booking, you choose an age category: 8–10 or 10–12 years for the kids camps. We ask you to choose an age category so that we can properly take the ages of the participants into account during the preparations.

Participants aged 8–10 and 10–12 stay together on the campsite next to the group accommodation.

Different camps with different themes and age groups stay on the campsites. A number of general camp activities are organised together with the other camps and summer campers. Think of the dropping, evening games and the joint Friday evening with, for example, a variety evening or a game show.

The activities that specifically belong to the theme of your camp are done together with your own campmates. These usually take place in the morning and/or afternoon, but depending on the programme they can also last a whole day.



# Transport

For programmes that do not take place at our location, such as a visit to a theme park or the zoo, participants are transported by minibus. For programmes nearby for the camps from age 12 onwards, bicycles from Markant Outdoorcentrum are sometimes also used. When we go cycling we do so with the whole group. Of course we pay close attention to safety. We use fluorescent vests, the crew cycles along and we map out the safest route to cycle in advance. Can you not cycle for whatever reason? No problem, we arrange transport!

# Reachability of Parents/Guardians

We ask parents/guardians to inform the crew, when dropping off the children, how they can be reached during the camp week. Check the details on the registration form and let us know of any changes if this information differs from what is stated on the registration form.

# Pocket money

During the camp, accommodation, activities, meals and snacks are included. Because of this, bringing pocket money is not really necessary. Still, a child may sometimes need some extra spending money, for example for souvenirs, a postcard or buying something tasty. The amount of this money is of course up to the parents, but we advise not to give more than € 25,00. If the child has a bank card with them, we can keep it with the phone during the day and it can be used at the phone moment when they need it.

**"Pocket money on camp? 50% on sweets, 50% on souvenirs, 0% left when getting home."**



# First Aid & Medical Centre

Several first aid kits are available on the campsite and are also taken along on outings. This also includes remedies against insects, ticks, bumps and falls, sunscreen and the like. At the office there is also an extensive first aid supply with bandages, cold packs, sanitary pads, paracetamol etc.

If something happens where we need (think we need) a doctor, we use the medical centre in Zeddam during the day and the Slingeland hospital in Doetinchem in the evening. In these cases we always contact the parents/guardians.

Ticks
A tick bite is usually harmless, but can sometimes cause Lyme disease if the tick stays on the skin for more than 24 hours. So don't give the tick a chance! At Summer Camps Holland the children are outside a lot, so it is possible that the children will encounter a tick bite. Children must tell the crew immediately if they see or notice one, so that the tick can be removed directly. In case of doubt we go to the doctor.

# Medication

In case of medication use, we would like to know about it via the registration form.

If you/your child uses medication, you have probably already indicated this on the registration form. If this is not the case, please still let us know before the summer camp starts. This way our crew can plan it during the preparation of that week and take it into account in advance. They can then, for example, make sure that the required medication is taken at the right times.



# Photo & Film

During the camps, the crew (and sometimes a separate photographer) takes photos of camp life, the participants, and the activities. In some cases, we also make videos. The photos are uploaded to the Summer Camps website after the camp week and can be viewed through the login account. Thus, only the parents/guardians and children of that week can view the photos. Photos are carefully screened by the our team before being posted.

Summer Camps Holland reserves the right to use photos and video material for publication without the right to compensation for others. We will always use visual material respectfully and solely for our own purposes.
When registering, you indicated whether or not photos may be taken of you or your child.

# Passport and Identity Card

All children aged 14 and older need a passport or ID card due to identification requirements. To prevent loss, we can collect these (along with mobile phones) and keep them secure. We will then bring them when they are needed.

Please note! Some camps cross the border. In that case, all children, regardless of age, will need a passport or ID card. This applies to the following camps:

**Movie Park Germany**

- Fun for Kids Camp
- Fun and Amusement Park Camp
- Fun Camp
- International Camp

**Wildpark Anholter**

- Animal Care Camp

# Lost and Found

On the Monday and Tuesday following the camp, we organize the lost and found items. Through the website under the "lost and found" button, you can report what has been left behind. Because sorting out lost and found items takes a lot of time, we unfortunately charge additional costs for this.

For returning items, these are the shipping costs (usually €7.50) and administration costs of €5.00.

Therefore, please do not bring new and expensive items and label everything! Our crew holds a "mini market" several times a week with items that have been left lying around. So, if names are on them, the owner can be quickly found!

# Food & Drink

All Summer Camps include breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, and drinks. The meals are prepared by the regular chef of our restaurant partner, Woodies eten en drinken! During breakfast, we often prepare lunch packages for the afternoon, as some activities take place outside our premises. We try to accommodate what children in certain age categories like as much as possible. Our experienced chef creates responsible and varied meals, and we ensure an extra snack every day. We always strive for a healthy balance in the food during the camp week.

Of course, we take children's special requests into account as much as possible, such as a diet or a vegetarian menu. If you haven't filled in the special requests on the booking form, please contact us as soon as possible, preferably by email, so we can still take them into account and add them to the registration information.

# Guidance

**Crew Members**
The supervision of the children is in the hands of our Summer Camps crew. In our organization, we maintain an average of 1 crew member for every 7 children. The camp responsible on each camp site is the point of contact, leading and coaching the crew members. The weekly coordinator keeps an overview of all camps and is responsible for the overall organization that week.

Of course, the office staff is always supportive and holds the final responsibility for the camps.

The crew members are carefully selected and trained. All crew members are required to provide a Certificate of Conduct. We focus not only on the crew's social and athletic skills, but also pay special attention to all aspects of activity guidance and creating a safe environment. This is thoroughly reviewed during an annual training weekend with all crew members prior to the Summer Camps period.

Instructors & Outdoor Team
Markant has certified outdoor sports instructors who are deployed for certain activities. These instructors are authorized to conduct special activities with the children, such as climbing. Our instructors also guide the outdoor team. They organize all outdoor activities as well as various evening games like the Dropping.

# Facilities

### Group accommodation

By the water there is a stunning round building that was built in an ecological way. It is a building with lots of glass. In the middle of the building is the central room with an open fireplace. The bedrooms with bunk beds border the central room. The building is shared with other Summer Campers aged 8 - 12 years.

### Safari camping ground

Behind the group accommodation lies our safari camping ground. On this ground stand 5 safari tents built on large wooden decks with a terrace. The 5 tents accommodate 60 people. This can be supplemented with bell tents if the group division does not work out. On this ground there are also showers, toilets and a large shared tent.

### Camping ground

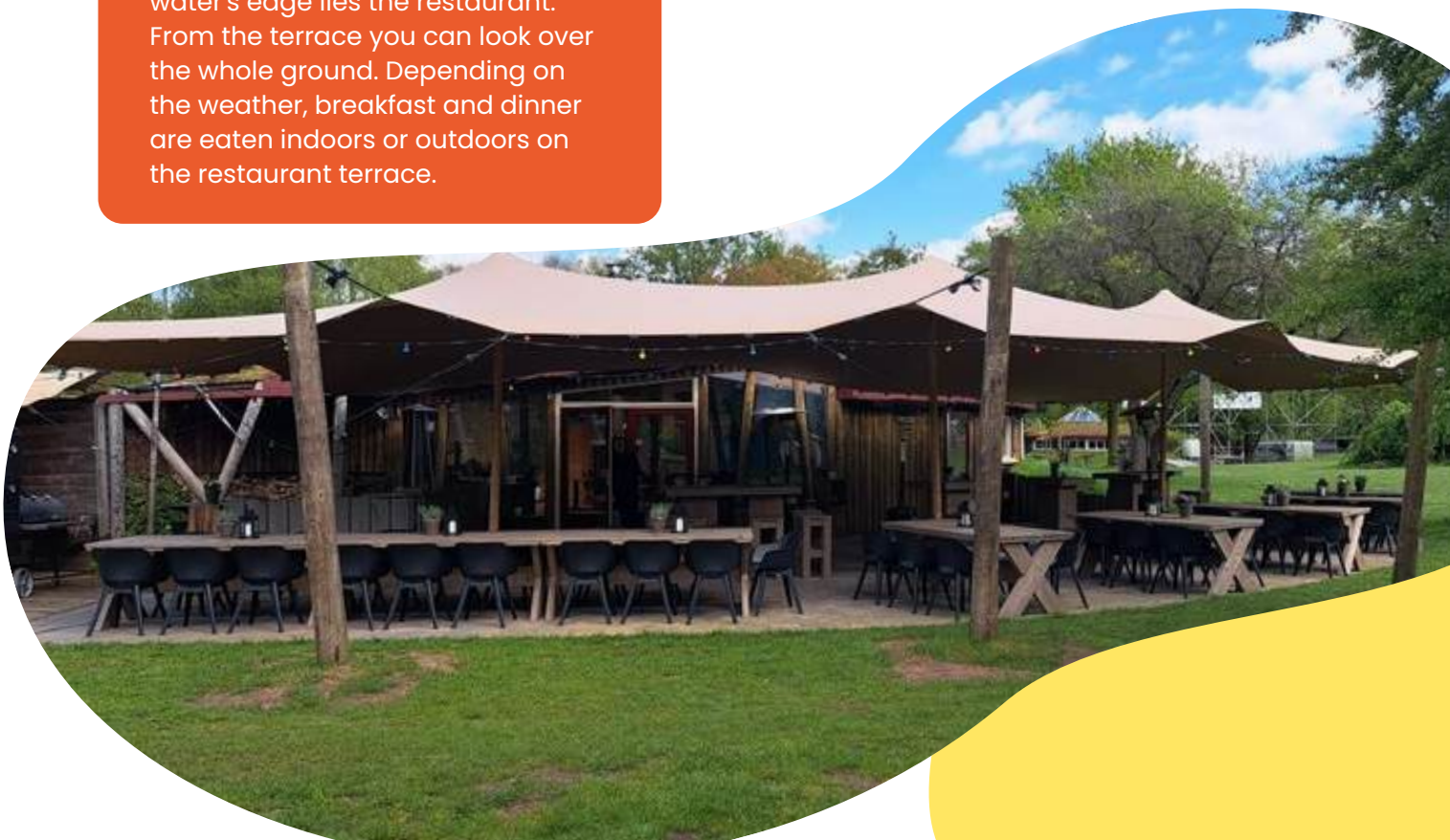
Markant Outdoorcentrum has its own camping ground surrounded by trees and bushes. The camping ground is equipped with bell tents (tipi tents) and has its own campfire spot where you can sit cozily around the campfire in the evening.

### Sanitary facilities

Our group accommodation has 8 showers and 4 toilets. Our safari camping ground has 4 showers and 8 toilets and our camping ground has 12 showers and 8 toilets. These are cleaned twice a day.

### Restaurant

In the middle of the ground on the water's edge lies the restaurant. From the terrace you can look over the whole ground. Depending on the weather, breakfast and dinner are eaten indoors or outdoors on the restaurant terrace.



# Phone time

Many participants bring a mobile phone with them to summer camp. Of course, staying in touch with home is important, but we also want you to take a break from everyday life and enjoy a great week together with the other Summer Campers. During the day, mobile phones are safely stored to prevent theft, loss, and/or (water) damage. It's also safer during the activities we organize. Not having your phone nearby can be difficult for some, both for children and their parents. Staying in touch with home and/or friends is still important. That's why we've reserved a specific time for calling, during the evening. Phone time takes place from Monday through Thursday, after dinner, sometime between approximately 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM. We can't give an exact time in advance, as it depends on the daily program.
Children who do not have a phone at camp and are unable to call home themselves can make limited use of a mobile or office phone provided by Summer Camps.

**Children often find updating their social media more important than calling mom and dad.**



# Phone time

## We have some tips, advice, and comments for you:

**01** If you as a parent/caregiver find it a bit Nervous as well, make sure to agree on one or two moments when the child will call home. For example, Monday and Wednesday evenings.

**02** Everyone is given the opportunity to pick up their phone and call home during the call times. The crew does not check if everyone actually does this. Each child decides for themselves whether they want to use their call time.

**03** It's possible that your child might not call! That might be difficult, but you can assume that everything is going well and there's no need to call. Isn't that great? No news is good news!

Are you still too curious or do you really want to speak to your child? Then email Summercamps and we'll make sure the crew reminds your child to reach out during the next call moment. Alternatively, you can send a message to the emergency phone.

**04** The phone will definitely be used if there is something happening! If you find the reason for a concerning phone call important, we would like you to contact us. The sooner we know something, the sooner we and the crew can act problem-solving, sometimes in consultation with you. After all, the camp is only one week. It could be about homesickness, an issue with another child, a problem in the group process, or a personal issue that comes to light.

Depending on the situation, you can send an email (which is read every day), send a message to the emergency phone (which is always in use), or, in extreme cases, contact us by phone (emergency phone in the evening, office number during the day).

**05** Summer Camps Holland is not responsible for any damage to or theft of mobile phones and other devices when they are not in our care.

# Sleeping and packing list

| Sleep & Stay | Camp |
|---|---|
| **Group Accommodation**<br>• Sleeping in bunk beds with a mattress<br>• Private bathroom and shower facilities in the building<br>• Private common room | Fun for kids, Animalcamp, kids freerun, Science Camp & May camp |
| **Tents Near the Group Building**<br>• Sleeping in round Bell tents<br>• Sleeping on a camp bed with a mattress<br>• Shared central shower and toilet facilities | Adventure for kids camp & 4 dagen Camp |
| **Safari Field**<br>• Sleeping in bunk beds with a mattress<br>• Private sanitary facilities on the campgrounds<br>• Showers available at the Safari Field and the main camping field<br>• Private central tent | Fun Camp, Fun & Pretpark Camp, Chill Camp, Dierverzorging Camp, International Camp. |
| **Camping Area**<br>• Sleeping in round Bell tents<br>• Sleeping on a camp bed with a mattress<br>• Shared central shower and toilet facilities<br>• Private central tent | Adventure Camp, Survival Camp, Wakeboard Camp, Freerun Camp, Sport Camp, base camp en Crew basis Camp. |







# Packing list

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## Clothing

- Pajamas
- Swimwear
- 2 x Long pants
- 3 x Shorts
- 5 Pairs of socks
- 4 x T-shirt
- 6 x Underwear
- 1 Warm sweater / fleece
- Summer jacket
- Rainwear (raincoat)
- Hiking/sturdy shoes
- Sports shoes

## Care

- 3 Towels
- 1 Beach towel
- Water bottle / bidon
- Sunscreen
- Anti-mosquito lotion or similar
- Toiletries such as toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, etc.
- Colorful evening / dress-up Clothing (can be anything)

## Various

- Flashlight
- Cuddle
- Sunglasses
- Cap
- Small (school) day backpack

## Sleeping

- Sleeping bag
- Mattress cover or sheet
- Own pillow

## Extra for:

- Adventure camp
- Survival camp
- Adventure for kids

**A sleeping mat/air mattress for the bivouac overnight stay**

**Tip:** Use a name tag on clothing and other items. Every week, some items are always left behind, so make sure to check before leaving the premises that you have everything with you, and don't bring your newest clothes and items.



# Behavior & Social Safety

# Camp Code

On the campsites, sanitary facilities, the restaurant and at all sports and games locations we have the banners below hanging. This way we keep reminding everyone of the camp code.

## CAMP CODE

**FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS OF SUMMER CAMPS HOLLAND**

### EVERYONE BELONGS

You don't have to prove anything.

### WE LAUGH WITH EACH OTHER, NOT AT EACH OTHER

Jokes are fun, unless they come at the expense of someone else.

### RESPECT IS THE STANDARD

No is no. Yes is nice.
That's how we keep it fun.

### WE DO IT TOGETHER, SO NOT ALONE

Dare to invite someone.
Everyone counts.

### BE YOURSELF, LET SOMEONE ELSE DO THE SAME

Being perfect is not necessary.
Just being yourself is enough.

**#EveryoneJoinsIn**

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# Social Safety

Summer Camps Holland strives to create an organization where children (and their parents) feel at ease and which is focused on ensuring social safety. In this era (following COVID-19 and the influence of social media), this has become an even more important issue. With Summer Camps Holland, we aim to consciously contribute positively to the benefit of the child/teenager.

For moments when a situation involving social insecurity arises, we work with the Social Safety and Communication roadmap of Summer Camps Holland. The sooner we as an organization notice something, the quicker we can take action.

## 1 Contact person for social safety within the organization

The contact person for social safety is the first point of contact for issues related to undesirable behavior. They are open to all situations where consultation or a solution is needed. They are internally trained in assessing situations related to social safety.

Per camp site, the organizational line is as follows:

1. Crew members during the camp.
2. Crew/Camp manager for each camp location.
3. Camp coordinator of the week.
4. Office staff/management Summercamps Holland.

Children can and likely will express social insecurity to their parents/caregivers. Parents can, preferably as soon as possible, report to our organization (points 3 and 4) via the general office number. In this line, these are: Wychart Huizing & Michiel Pöpping (also management). If necessary, they can consult with the external confidential advisor regarding undesirable social behavior.

You can contact us via:
Office: 0314-680688 or info@summercamps.nl
Emergency phone Summer Camps: 06 – 20 869 888

## 2 Direct contact with management/executive team

The management is closely involved and personally engaged in the organization of the Summer Camps. In the event of an incident, the management holds the ultimate responsibility for handling the situation. The management may also contact the parents or guardians of the child(ren) involved to discuss the situation.

The contact person from the management is: Michiel Pöpping / 06 52491880
Wychart Huizing / 06 19332957

# Social Safety

## 3 External Confidential Counselor

The confidant of Summer Camps Holland is there for all children, parents, and crew who experience social insecurity within Summer Camps Holland. And when it does not feel comfortable to report to the general contacts or management. Anke ter Maat is the person you can approach for this.

Reports to the external confidant are strictly confidential and are not shared unless permission is given to do so.

You can independently contact the external confidant directly:
Anke ter Maat
06-51459863
info@volvanvertrouwen.nl
volvanvertrouwen.nl

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# Camp rules

**Behaviour and agreements**
Let's all head into great camp weeks together. That's what we're here for! To make that possible for everyone, we think it's important to observe the following points.

**1. Smoking, vaping, alcohol and drugs are not allowed and are illegal under the age of 18.**

- When camp participants (secretly) do use these and it is noticed, a conversation follows and a ban with confiscation of the items. On a second offence the participant is removed from the camp.

**2. We want to create an inclusive environment.**

- Discrimination is not allowed.
- Bullying is not tolerated,
- We start from generally desirable forms of behaviour, both from participants and crew. Coarse language, aggressive and antisocial behaviour does not fit in there.

In these cases we address participants about it and make agreements. We have a pedagogical-educational approach in that. On repetition and/or not keeping agreements, one is removed from the camp.

**3.** There is always room to report to the crew or camp manager if something is bothering you. Discuss it and we will find a solution together. Sometimes we do that in consultation with the parents/guardians.

**4.** The crew wants to be flexible in agreements but sometimes also has to be a bit strict because of their general responsibility. Respect is shown towards each other in listening, acting and speaking.

**5.** Taking in mobile phones during the day is a fixed rule during the camp. Elsewhere in this camp booklet we explain why we apply this rule. We ask everyone to respect this rule.

**When the teens dance on the tables without shame, we know we've had an amazing week.**

# RIGHT TO PLAY

Free play is important for a child's development, and at Summer Camps, this is a given. However, in many parts of the world, children face poverty, exploitation, and violence. Right To Play ensures that these children become resilient and are physically and mentally healthy. We are happy to contribute to this together with our participants. That is why we support Right To Play.

Right To Play is an international organization that uses the power of play to improve the lives of children growing up in poverty, those who have fled, or those facing exploitation and violence. Through the play-based learning method, the organization ensures that children become resilient, physically and mentally healthy, and perform well at school. The result: strong, self-aware young adults ready for a better future.

For every booking made, we donate €5.00 to Right To Play.

RIGHT TO PLAY
PROTECT. EDUCATE. EMPOWER.

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# HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY AND AN UNFORGETTABLE SUMMER CAMP!

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