



Camp Dawo provides a safe and caring environment. We support individual camper differences, we support campers in reaching their goals and working through challenges, and we support a place everyone is entitled to have fun. Sustaining this community requires the commitment of all participants. To ensure commitment, we ask everyone to agree to the behavior expectations listed below. Campers and parents/guardians should review and discuss these guidelines together.

Regarding others at the camp:

- I will respect other people's thoughts and ideals, even if they are different from my own.
- All my actions and language will have a positive impact on others in the Camp Dawo community.
- I understand that any behavior that could harm (physically or emotionally) a camper or staff member, or which is disrespectful, is unacceptable in the Camp Dawo community.

Regarding myself at the camp

- I will take care of myself by getting plenty of sleep, by eating well, and by maintaining my personal health (including, but not limited to showering and changing into clean clothes daily, brushing my teeth regularly, washing my hands before eating and after using the toilet, checking myself for ticks, telling an adult if I am hurt or unwell.)
- I will make the most of learning opportunities at Camp Dawo by participating fully in camp activities, and I will try new things and maintain a positive attitude.
- I will not allow exclusive relationships (like being at camp with existing friends or family) to prevent me from getting to know other people at camp, or from including others in activities.
- I will stay with a buddy when moving around camp and always ask a counselor before leaving the group.

Regarding the Environment, Niger, and Camp Facilities

- I understand that all community members are expected to share responsibility for keeping personal and community areas neat and clean, and I will help with these tasks.
- I **will not bring** my cellular phone, music player, video games, radio, or other electronics to camp, because they detract from enjoyment of and interaction with others and with the natural world.
- I will respect the environment along with all the creatures and people that reside in the environment.
- I understand that Niger is another country and that I will abide by the local laws and regulations.
- I understand that Camp Dawo does not provide legal fees for international or U.S. litigation.
- I will pick up litter, stay on trails, and not damage or remove anything from the environment.
- I will follow all safety guidelines while staying in Tapoa.



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- I will take care of Camp Dawo's facilities, program supplies, and equipment. I will put equipment away when I finish using it and will leave an area I use better than I found it.

Regarding everyone's health and safety

- I understand that the possession and use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal drugs is prohibited. I will not have/use these at camp.
- I understand that fireworks, firearms, pocket knives, and other weapons are not allowed. I will not bring these to camp.
- I will abide by all safety standards explained by the staff.
- I understand that ALL campers must be in their living units/sleeping areas from lights out until activities begin the following morning, unless under the direct supervision of camp staff. I will stay in my living unit/sleeping area at night.
- I understand that physical and emotional bullying or violence will result in my immediate dismissal from camp. If I am dismissed from camp, my tuition is forfeited, and my parent/guardian is responsible for paying for a return airline ticket and picking me up from the airport. My behavior at camp will not include violence or bullying.

When I am unable to follow behavior expectations, Camp Dawo staff will:

- Remind me of the expected behavior
- Review the above agreement with me
- Talk with me about ways staff members can support me in making necessary behavior improvements

If a pattern of inappropriate behavior continues, Camp Dawo staff will work with the camper to set specific, appropriate behavior goals and outline consequences for continued inappropriate behavior. Camp Dawo staff may ask parents/guardians for suggestions to help improve behavior or create a written behavior contract.

Continued inappropriate behavior or severely inappropriate behavior (such as physical or emotional violence, bullying, or possession of prohibited items) will result in immediate dismissal from camp and forfeiture of camp fees. Parents will be responsible for paying for any fees associated with a chaperoned return flight to the United States. The parent/guardian is responsible for picking up a dismissed camper from the airport.

We ask both the camper and the parent/guardian to sign the behavior agreement to confirm that you have read this document together and acknowledge and accept the responsibility to meet these behavior expectations.

Parent: _____ Date: _____

Camper: _____ Date: _____