

# **OUTDOOR SAFETY**

**CRITTER SAFETY**

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## **HAZARDS:**

**Rabies exists in the area. Avoid wild animals and strange domestic animals, including dogs and cats.**

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**Rodents can carry a variety of diseases and behave in ways that are likely to contaminate food and water. Keep all food and snacks stored in impenetrable containers.**

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## **Poisonous snakes:**

**Several types of dangerous snakes are found in this area. Treat all snakes as if they are poisonous. Most snake bites result from handling snakes.**

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## **SNAKE BITE FIRST AID:**

- **Remain calm and keep victim quiet**
- **Do not cut bite section**
- **Remove any tight or restrictive clothing or objects from the affected extremity**

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## **SNAKE BITE FIRST AID:**

- **Place ice over bite area**
- **Apply constricting bands (loose enough to insert finger between band and skin)**
- **Place one band above and one below the bite. For hand or foot place above wrist or ankle.**

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## SNAKE BITE FIRST AID:

- Immobilize affected part in a position below heart level
- Evacuate immediately
- Identify snake if possible. If not and snake can be killed without endangering anyone, kill it without damaging the head.

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- **ARTHROPODS (BUGS) ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSMITTING DISEASES, INFLECTING PAINFUL BITES OR STINGS, AND BEING A NUISANCE**
- **APPLY INSECT REPELLENT!!!**



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- **SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION IF YOU HAVE**
  - **Unusual Bite**
  - **Tick Bite**
  - **Multiple Bites**

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- **BUG BITES:**

- **Identify personnel who are allergic to insect bites or stings and ensure that they have an emergency first-aid kit on hand and that it is complete.**
- **Use insect repellent (according to directions).**

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- **Tick first aid:**
  - **Grasp tick with tweezers as close to the point of attachment as possible, being careful not to squeeze its abdomen, and exert steady, gentle pressure. Take care not to break off and leave mouth parts in the skin. Apply antiseptic to the bite site.**