2027 MSR Trek Quick Information Guide

Unit High Adventure Treks

REGISTRATION STEPS

Step 1: Complete and return this form to the council office with the $100 reservation fee. Please make sure include your SM/Advisor's address so we can mail you trek-specific flyers, etc.

> **The $100 reservation fee per trek is required to secure your trek**. It helps cover the cost of initiating the permitting process and postage for mailing trek specific information to your Trek Leader. It will **not** be applied toward your per-person registration fees and is non-refundable and non-transferable to other events and activities. Dual Unit treks only require one $100 fee (two troops taking one trek together). Units that want to take two or more treks need to complete and return a form with $100 for each trek.

Step 2: Once we receive your completed form and payment, we will confirm your trek and email you the online registration link and trek-specific password.
Step 3: Ongoing conversation between your Trek Contact and our High Adventure staff to plan and coordinate your trek! As your date approaches (beginning in May or June), the trek staff will customize your Itinerary with your trek leader(s).

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, AS PER NATIONAL POLICY: ALL high adventure treks must have **at least one adult** with **current** Wilderness First Aid (WFA) and CPR certifications. The troop or crew must fulfill this requirement for kayaking treks. For **all other** treks, Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation provides guides with these certifications.

ANNUAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RECORD – All trek participants must bring at least 2 copies of the completed Health Form (A, B, and C) that is current throughout the trek. IMPORTANT: The State of WI requires we retain all health forms so you will be charged a "per copy" fee if we need to make copies of any form for you (the price could be $2-$5 per copy).

REGISTERED MEMBER OF SCOUTING AMERICA – All participants must be registered with Scouting America. All adults must be current in Youth Protection Training (YPT).

TREK AGE REQUIREMENTS: All youth must be at least 13 years old, or at least 12 years old AND completed grade 7. **See below** (*) for important exceptions. Anyone 18 years old before the trek's conclusion must register as an adult.

MINUMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS – All high adventure treks must have at least 6 participants, with at least 2 of them being adults. Contact our Trek Staff if you have any questions.

Limited Availability and Earlier MSR Arrival Dates – **Boundary Waters Canoeing** and **Isle Royale Backpacking Treks** – Offered during **Weeks 2, 4, and 6** ONLY of our Summer Camp Programs. Units must arrive at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan on **Saturday** to prepare for their trek: June 26, July 10, or July 24 for the 2026 season.

MSR Arrival Dates for the Rest of the Treks – The arrival date for the rest of the treks is on **Sunday**: June 20, June 27, July 4, July 11, July 18, or July 25 for the 2027 season.

All Units depart camp on Saturday morning.

2027 HIGH ADVENTURE TREK FEES AND DEADLINES

Pay by 11:59 PM-Online; 4:00 PM at the Council Office

High Adventure Trek Name	Number of Days on Trek***	Trek Fees per Person	Maximum # of Participants	First Payment Due Date	Second Payment Due Date	Final Payment Due Date
Isle Royale Backpacking	**6**	$825	9	January 15th	March 31st	May 15th
Apostle Island Kayaking*, **	5	$995	16	March 17th	April 15th	May 15th
Boundary Waters Canoeing	**6**	$750	8	March 17th	April 30th	May 15th
Flambeau Flowage Canoeing	5	$450	11	April 1st	n/a	May 31st
Ice Age Trail Backpacking	5	$425	11	April 30th	n/a	May 31st
Porcupine Mountain Backpacking	5	$525	11	March 17th	n/a	May 31st
Pictured Rocks Backpacking	5	$595	19	March 17th	n/a	May 31st

***Apostle Island Participants** must be at least 14 years old, or at least 13 years AND completed the 8th grade. **No exceptions**. Anyone 18 years old before the conclusion of the trek must register as an adult with the appropriate training.

*** Add two more days for traveling to and from Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

IMPORTANT! If you missed these deadlines but are still interested in one of the treks, contact us immediately! Please provide your Unit type and number, the Name of Trek, Week # you want to go, how many scouts, and how many adults want to register. We will do our best to accommodate your trek and get you out on the trail!

2027 MSR HIGH ADVENTURE TREK DATES

Week 1: June 20 – June 26
Week 2: June 27 – July 3
Week 3: July 4 – 10
Week 4: July 11 - 18
Week 5: July 19 - 24
Week 6: July 25 - 31

See note above about two treks with Saturday arrival days.