

BROOKLINE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Camp Tips

This summer, many children are heading off to summer camp. Parents should consider the following items to help ensure their child a safe and happy camp experience. Before choosing a summer camp, consider the following:

- Appropriate permits indicating compliance with town and state health regulations. All Massachusetts children's camps are required to have the following local Health Department permits:
 - Summer camp permit
 - Swimming pool and/or beachfront permit (if applicable)
- Staff to child ratios and staff qualifications.
- Appropriate supervision by lifeguard(s) in swimming areas.
- Ask about medical coverage. Is there a nurse on-site?
- Ask about notification policy if your child becomes ill or injured. Does the camp require medical records?
- Ask about discipline policies.