



Guidelines for the 256th Anniversary of the Battle of Bushy Run

- You must register each day at the Museum Front Desk or with Rob Malley as he goes through the camps. Only those participants who register will be credited for the day for a stipend.
- All participants are guided by the PHMC Safety Manual for Historic Weapons Demonstrations which was sent to all commanders. When registering you will sign a statement indicating your acceptance and adherence to the Safety Manual. Copies of the Manual are available upon request and are sent to each unit and/or registered individual.
- All weapons **must** be inspected by a PHMC Safety Officer before each battle reenactment and **only** inspected weapons will be allowed in the park. Representatives will be present during the event to conduct the inspection.
- The PHMC Black Powder Safety Officers have complete authority in any matter involving weapons and black powder. Instructions from these officers must be obeyed immediately without hesitation.
- Any violation of the PHMC Safety Manual for Historic Weapons Demonstrations is sufficient grounds for immediate removal from the event and site.
- Any problems or concerns should be reported to a PHMC staff as quickly as possible. We will attempt to resolve any issue and the sooner we know about them the easier they are to solve.
- This is a by-invitation event. Only participants who have been invited or who have been in contact with Bushy Run Battlefield in advance will be allowed to be in historic period dress, interpret to our visitors, or participate in the event.
- The British Commander and Native War Chief will meet on Friday at 8:00 p.m. in the Pavilion. Battle information and event updates will be given at that time. All issues or concerns should be addressed at these meetings
- Any injury or incident involving the safety violations, security problems, improper conduct, or anything of serious concern must be reported to the staff of Bushy Run and the commander or war chief as soon as practical.

- Vehicles will be allowed in the camps to load/unload all day Friday, Saturday morning until 8:30 a.m., Saturday evening after 6:00 p.m., Sunday morning until 8:30 a.m., and Sunday afternoon after the event is over (authorization will be allowed if it is before 5:00 p.m.). This is a safety issue and there will be no exceptions.
- All tents and equipment must be of the period (1763) and appropriate to the people using them.
- Dining flies in the camps may be erected for exhibits or demonstration purposes only.
- People not involved in the battle re-enactment should conduct appropriate camp duties.
- Any use of modern material (sleeping bags, coolers, etc.) must be out of the public view during public visitation hours (10:00 am to 5:00 pm). They should be limited to non-visitiation hours 5:00 pm to 10:00 am). Personal items or medical needs are an exception, but please minimize what the visitors can see of non-period items.
- During the battle scenario, you may only leave the engagement with the permission of your commander, sergeant, or by direction of a park safety officer. You will be instructed to demonstrate the weapons are secured and unloaded, and you will be instructed to the proper trail to use for your return to camp.
- All participants should remain until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. No vehicles will be allowed in the camps until after 5:00 p.m. unless an earlier camp break-down is approved by the site administrator.
- All registered participants in the event will be insured under the policy of the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society.
- No alcohol may be consumed on park grounds at any times. Participants should also be aware of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania regulations that apply in the park.
- Black powder will be limited to only that which will be used in the battle reenactments during the weekend. All black powder will be in cartridge storage form, and no other form of black powder is allowed on the site. No cartridges will be made on site. Please ensure the safety of the black powder at all times.
- All powder horns will be empty of black powder and filled with sand if carried on site.
- Visitors are not allowed to handle edged weapons or black powder cartridges. Visitors under the age of 17 are not allowed to handle any weapon at any time.
- Be considerate of your fellow participants who will be your very close neighbors for the weekend.

- All registered participants are invited to Saturday dinner, courtesy of the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society, which will start around 5:30 pm at the picnic pavilion.
- No pets will be allowed on site during the event weekend.
- Have a great and enjoyable event. Remember that your actions and your willingness to make the little extra effort for a visitor will make a great visit for them. The members of the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society and the staff of Bushy Run Battlefield sincerely thank you for your dedication, support, and participation.

Medical Emergency – 911 (Tell them you are at Bushy Run Battlefield & have someone meet them at the front gate to show them where to go)

Penn Township Police - 911

Additional Phone Numbers

Bushy Run Visitor Center 724-527-5584 (9:00 to 5:00)



As many of you are aware, this event is the major fund raiser for the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society and 100% of the profits from this event and other fund raisers they conduct go to support the park and its programs. Your participation makes this event possible and we encourage and welcome your comments and suggestions. Our address is Bushy Run Battlefield, PO Box 468, Harrison City, PA 15636.

Again thank you for helping us provide this excellent event for our visitors!