

# Colorado Burnal Equinox

## Survival Guide



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# Welcome to Colorado Burnal Equinox!

A winter campout is not something that should be taken lightly and this guide will help you prepare yourself for the possible adversity of the Rocky Mountains in the month of March, Colorado's snowiest month. Some of this guide was developed and written by the great folks at FrostBurn, a Regional burn that takes place in West Virginia. They graciously allowed us to plagiarize large portions of this guide with the only request that we give them some credit.

Thank you everyone at FrostBurn for use of your survival guide to make ours. Thank you, Matt Brooks, for adapting it to fit our situation in Colorado. Thank you all for reading and making yourself self-reliant on how to survive Colorado Burnal Equinox!

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# Event at a Glance

**Location:** Fhloston Peak, 2315 Co Rd 68, Bailey, CO 80421

**Elevation:** 7,740 '

**Gate Times:** 12pm (noon) Friday, March 20 – Sunday, March 22, 2020 (Volunteers & theme camps may arrive 12pm Thursday, March 19)

**2020 Theme:** Unicorn Hindsight = 20/20/20

## Important!

- ❄ You are required to abide by all laws and community standards at all times.
- ❄ You are required to behave in a socially responsible manner.
- ❄ You are expected to adhere to the Ten Principles.
- ❄ CBE is an all-ages event.



# The Ten Principles

Radical Inclusion	Anyone may be a part of CBE. We welcome and respect the stranger. No prerequisites exist for participation in our community.
Gifting	CBE is devoted to acts of gift giving. The value of a gift is unconditional. Gifting does not contemplate a return or an exchange for something of equal value.
De-commodification	In order to preserve the spirit of gifting, our community seeks to create social environments that are unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions, or advertising. We stand ready to protect our culture from such exploitation. We resist the substitution of consumption for participatory experience.
Radical Self-Reliance	CBE encourages the individual to discover, exercise and rely on his or her inner resources.
Radical Self-Expression	Radical Self Expression arises from the unique gifts of the individual. No one other than the individual or a collaborating group can determine its content. It is offered as a gift to others. In this spirit, the giver should respect the rights and liberties of the recipient.
Communal Effort	Our community values creative cooperation and collaboration. We strive to produce, promote and protect social networks, public spaces, works of art, and methods of communication that support such interaction.
Civic Responsibility	We value civil society. Community members who organize events should assume responsibility for public welfare and endeavor to communicate civic responsibilities to participants. They must also assume responsibility for conducting events in accordance with local, state and federal laws.
Leaving No Trace	Our community respects the environment. We are committed to leaving no physical trace of our activities wherever we gather. We clean up after ourselves and endeavor, whenever possible, to leave such places in a better state than when we found them.
Participation	Our community is committed to a radically participatory ethic. We believe that transformative change, whether in the individual or in society, can occur only through the medium of deeply personal participation. We achieve being through doing. Everyone is invited to work. Everyone is invited to play. We make the world real through actions that open the heart.
Immediacy	Immediate experience is, in many ways, the most important touchstone of value in our culture. We seek to overcome barriers that stand between us and a recognition of our inner selves, the reality of those around us, participation in society, and contact with a natural world exceeding human powers. No idea can substitute for this experience.

# The 11<sup>th</sup> Principle: Consent

In addition to the above 10 Principles, Colorado Burnal Equinox recognizes an 11th Principle, Consent. Our community values the transformative experience of consensual touch, play, and interaction by hearing and honoring the informed consent (or lack thereof) of those we interact with.

We believe that consent plays a vital part in our connectivity and community. Our vision is that all parties feel empowered to participate as they feel comfortable, by “opting in” from a place of enthusiasm and autonomy.

## Safety

All CBE participants must bring with them all necessities for attending the event. This includes, but is not limited to:

- ❄ water (3 gallons per person/per day),
- ❄ food & drink,
- ❄ shelter,
- ❄ sufficient winter clothing, and
- ❄ basic first aid supplies.

As you read this Survival Guide, please remember that you are responsible for your own conduct, safety, and comfort at all times, in every way, before, during, and after your visit. Additionally, you must follow basic rules pertaining to public safety and communal well-being to help ensure the collective survival of our attendees and the event.

Radical Self Expression is one of the Ten Principles of the burner community and one of our goals at CBE is to foster that principle as much as possible. As a result, some of the art or performances that you encounter at the event might not be suitable for all participants, especially children. We urge you to exercise discretion before bringing minors or sensitive individuals to the event. You are responsible for their actions. Please closely supervise those in your care.

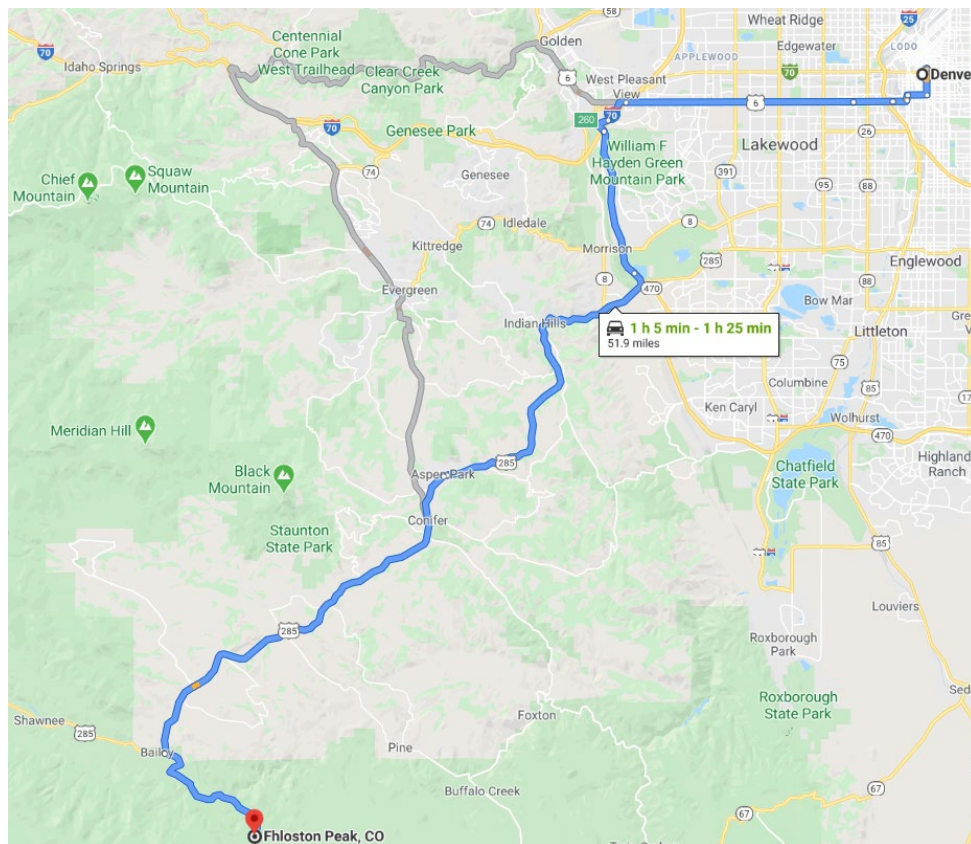
Anyone under 18 must arrive with a legal guardian and have a liability waiver signed by their legal guardian. Those under 18 are the responsibility of their legal guardian or an appointed adult. Parents should be in control of themselves and their children at all times.

# Getting There

## Location & Directions

CBE will take place at Fhloston Peak, 2315 Co Rd 68, Bailey, CO 80421. The location is about an hour west of Denver. Here are directions from Denver:

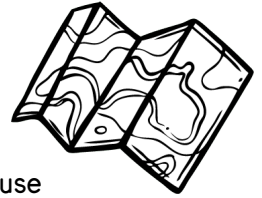
1	Take Broadway and W 8th Ave to 6th Ave	1.6 mi
2	Take US-6 W and US-285 S to Wellington Lake Rd in Park County	44.3 mi
3	Slight right onto 6th Ave	1.3 mi
4	Continue onto US-6 W/6th Ave	8.3 mi
5	Take the exit onto I-70 W toward Grand Jct	0.9 mi
6	Take exit 260 to merge onto CO-470 E/E470 E/Hwy 470 E toward Colorado Springs	5.7 mi
7	Exit onto US-285 S toward Fairplay	28.1 mi
8	Turn left onto Wellington Lake Rd	2.7 mi



We want your trip to be a pleasant one, from the moment you depart to the moment you return. Here are some tips for getting to CBE:

- \* Please purchase your admission in advance. If there are door sales, they will be online only.

- ❄ Use more than one website to map your route. Write the location and directions down or print them out. Do not expect to have cell service the whole trip, especially as you get towards and past Bailey.
- ❄ Consider carpooling in a 4x4 or all-wheel drive vehicle. Easy access parking can sometimes be at a premium at CBE, especially in the event of bad weather which may cause some of our plowed areas to become less accessible. Carpooling helps everyone out by giving everyone access to more “premium”/easily accessible spots.
- ❄ Prepare for winter driving conditions before you leave home. Even if the weather is good and roads are clear, there is no guarantee that things won't change by the time you arrive at CBE. Arrive alive! Be sure that you get enough sleep before you depart, so that you're not fatigued on the drive.
- ❄ We recommend tire chains for all vehicles, just in case.
- ❄ Try to arrive during daylight hours, as roads are more likely to freeze at night. This is also the only time Gate will be open! We are not expecting a line at the gate. CBE officially opens at 12pm (MT) on Thursday, March 19 for volunteers and theme camps, and 12pm (noon) on Friday, March 20 for everyone else.



## Getting In

- ❄ For the 2020 event, there is a 24-hour set up period before the event (starting Thursday, March 19th at 12pm noon) and 24-tear down time (ending 12pm noon on Saturday, March 23rd).
- ❄ A single dirt road leads from the gate to the event site. Drive slowly and be exceptionally conscious of hazards that might potentially result in your vehicle getting stuck. If the dirt road is muddy, vehicles will be allowed on the dirt road one at a time ; once the vehicle ahead of you is confirmed safely on the premises, your vehicle will be allowed through.
- ❄ When entering or leaving the event, do not exceed 10 miles per hour (10 MPH), stay on the entrance road to the site, and do not drive if conditions are hazardous.
- ❄ Driving at CBE presents a safety hazard. Park your vehicle in the designated space upon arrival and leave it there until you are ready to return home.

## Getting Out

When it is time to leave, be sure to pack out all of your belongings, as well as any waste that you accumulated during the event. **CBE is a Leave No Trace event. See more LNT guidance on page 17. Please spend 30 minutes de-mooping your camp before departing.** Use the same road to exit the property that you used to enter the property. Use caution while departing the venue. Be careful during your trip home. Stay sober and take frequent breaks.



# Preparation: What to Bring

CBE takes place in early spring at altitude (8400'). The Front Range is notorious for its capricious weather and temperature swings of 50-75° are not unheard of! The sunny, 65° weather you experience one day could turn into a frigid winter storm the very next. 50 mph winds with blowing snow with ground blizzards could happen. BE PREPARED AND RADICAL (LY) SELF RELIANT and plan for worst case scenarios as you would expect on a Colorado mountain winter camping trip.

Do a test run with your equipment before leaving home ; the last thing you want to discover during a snowstorm is finding out that your gear is insufficient. Use common sense, follow weather reports (which tend to be reasonably accurate here for a 3-day window), and be familiar with your gear.

In the spirit of Radical Self Reliance, you are first and foremost responsible for your own well-being and survival.



The following lists should help you remember many of the most important necessities, as well as which items to leave at home that may be unhelpful or even a hindrance at the event.

## Critical & Essential Items

- ❄ **Water to drink, bathe, freeze, & prepare food.** Beware! Your water can and will freeze, if left exposed to the elements, so try to keep it either in a cooler (without ice), a tent, or wrapped up in your car as a precaution. Bring **metal canteens or spun aluminum or stainless water bottles** with water filled  $\frac{2}{3}$  to the top, in case they freeze. Water expands as it turns to ice. Metal can be set on a stove. Melting snow for water is a long and laborious process. Ice is easier. Consume water regularly. Because you don't noticeably sweat in winter/spring weather, you may become dehydrated, even though it's 30° outside.
- ❄ **Enough food and beverage for your entire time you're there.** Comfort foods are especially good, and warm foods such as soups, hot cocoa and tea, will help you stay warm and make you happy. Remember though, the easier



it is to make and prepare, the more likely you are to actually make it when you need it! It's possible that your food can freeze if left exposed to the elements (this includes fruit and veggies!), so plan ahead and bring food that you can thaw out. If you are cold, a hot drink will warm you up. Hot cocoa, cider, tea, even hot water will help. Remember, alcohol will give you a false sense of warmth.

- ❄ **First aid kit.** Check out Burning Man's list by visiting [bit.ly/BMFirstAid](http://bit.ly/BMFirstAid)
- ❄ **Fire extinguisher for your camp**
- ❄ **A well outfitted, 3.5- to 4- season camping tent in good condition!** Recreational vehicles, domes, and hexayurts or portable, MOOP free and seasonable structures are also welcome. See *Winter Camping Survival* for more information about Winter camping.
- ❄ **Warm clothing, including waterproof, weatherproof attire and backups including extra socks and extra gloves!** See *Clothing & Dress* for tips on how to dress for success!

Remember, cotton kills!

- ❄ **Garbage bags, a broom & dust pan.** CBE is a Leave No Trace event.
- ❄ **Required medications and health & beauty aids**, including prescriptions, contact lens supplies, and anything else essential to your health and comfort.
- ❄ **Flashlights & spare batteries.** Headlamps are particularly useful. LED lighting, EL -wire, reusable glow sticks, and blinky things will help you stand out at night.
- ❄ **Coolers...** to keep your food and beverages from freezing! Just as coolers can keep your food cold in the summer, a cooler without any ice in it can also insulate your food from extreme cold weather and keep it from freezing. Alternately, if it's warm, you'll have



something to keep your food cold in. Ice for mixing things.

- ❄ **Cookware, including a cooking stove, or items that can be used over a campfire.** You will probably be craving hot food. Plus, if your food freezes, you'll have to thaw it out.
- ❄ **Winter driving gear such as snow tires.** A snow shovel, sand (for traction), tow rope with a hook, and other tools can also prove to be very useful if it snows during the event or if your car gets stuck. Better to plan ahead than to pay for towing.
- ❄ **Sunglasses & sunscreen.** Snow covered fields tend to be exceptionally bright. Not only that, snow can double the amount of exposure to UV radiation, meaning you can be at risk for sunburn or even snow blindness. Your exposure to UV radiation also increases with altitude.

## Consider Bringing

- ❄ **Art installations!** CBE is all about self-expression, and what better way to express yourself than by creating and sharing a work of art? All forms of art are welcome and those that include an interactive component can be even better. For example, anything that can be handled, climbed or manipulated by participants is great for this event. Don't be shy: any little thing you bring adds to the CBE experience.
- ❄ **Costumes, instruments, decorations or any other elements** that you think might improve the atmosphere, vibe and experience for yourself and others.
- ❄ **Earplugs!** Not everyone will want to sleep when you do.
- ❄ **Camera**, to capture the moment. See *Media, Photography & Video* for important information about etiquette behind the lens.
- ❄ **Lotion/lip balm.** Cold weather can be tough on your skin, and chapped lips are no fun to kiss!
- ❄ **Tire chains for the drive up to site.** You may not need them, but you might. Don't get stuck on the mountainside, miles away from help.



- ❄ **Watertight protective bags** for cameras and other gear.
- ❄ **Portable ashtrays (for smokers).** Leave No Trace means cigarette butts, too! A metal container for mints or candy works well.
- ❄ **Battery powered camp light & spare batteries**, as cold weather decreases useful life.
- ❄ **An extra set of car keys**—in case you drop yours in a snowbank and can't find them again!
- ❄ **Metal reusable water bottles** are recommended by some to hold boiled water for extra warmth. They also may be sat on a stove to melt if they are frozen. Be careful to avoid burns!
- ❄ **Plastic sled** to move your gear to and from your campsite.
- ❄ **Body & hand warmers.** Enough said.

## Do Not Bring

- ❄ **FIREWOOD.** Our permit does not allow for ember producing campfires of any kind!
- ❄ **Explosives, fireworks, firearms** (including air rifles, BB guns, and pellet guns), are prohibited.
- ❄ **Glass containers.** We recommend against bringing glass containers, as cleaning up broken glass is very difficult in the snow, and highly problematic in the outdoors in general.
- ❄ **Excess packaging.** The more you bring in, the more you have to pack out when you leave! Removing packaging, such as the plastic those brand-new long johns came in, can reduce the amount of trash you have to pack out with you.
- ❄ **Space heaters,** unless you can guarantee that there is no risk of fire, carbon monoxide poisoning or other suffocation/oxygen depletion to yourself or other participants. A carbon monoxide detector is essential if you are burning fuel indoors.
- ❄ **Anything that could create a considerable amount of MOOP** and/or potentially damage the land. *See more LNT information on pg 17.*
- ❄ **Bicycles.** You should be able to walk everywhere you need. In case of snow or rain, a bike won't make for a more pleasant trek and it's probably not worth the effort.

# Winter Camping

**Camping in the winter requires significantly greater preparation than in the warmer months!** Bring more blankets, sleeping bags, and clothing than you think you will need—better to have too much than not enough!

A **heavy sleeping bag and insulated closed cell sleeping mat** are essential to winter tent camping. A sleeping bag rated well below freezing temperatures is critical to your survival, and the use of a fleece or summer bag inside your winter bag may be warranted, as even cold rated sleeping bags may not keep you comfortable at that temperature. A 1-14° bag is suggested. More bedding is suggested. Similarly, extra bedding can be used over and under your sleeping bag to supplement its heat retention.



It is very important to insulate yourself from the ground. Do not use an air mattress. A standard inflatable air mattress becomes as cold and uncomfortable as the air that fills it. A closed cell foam mat or winter-specific air mattress will insulate your body from the cold ground, and is a much better option than a regular air mattress. Mylar sheeting can be placed between the ground and your bottom layer of bedding to reflect any body heat that escapes back to you for an extra measure.

Space heaters and camp stoves that consume wood based or oil-based fuel carry a serious risk of fire, carbon monoxide poisoning, air pollution and oxygen depletion.

Do not operate any heat source that poses a threat to you or other attendees in a closed space. If you plan to burn fuel in an enclosed space, use a combination FIRE and CARBON MONOXIDE detector!

## Outdoor Tent Camping

Winter camping requires far more information on preparation and planning than we can provide in this Survival Guide. We urge you to do extensive research before attending the event, including reading the *Additional Resources*, seeking the advice of experienced winter campers or, if possible, obtain certification in Wilderness First Aid.

If you have the option, it can help to try camping in your backyard on a cold night to experiment with how to stay more comfortable in the cold.



## Recreational Vehicles

Your motorhome, trailer or other recreational vehicle is welcome at CBE. There are several things to consider when planning on bringing an RV that will make it a more enjoyable experience:

- ❄ There are no electrical, water, or sewer hookups for RVs. Your grey water and/or black water may freeze.
- ❄ In very extreme temperatures, your RV heating system may not work effectively, so it might make sense to bring an electric space heater as a backup heating source, but also your generator might freeze, so be prepared.
- ❄ Getting stuck: Take precautions when you arrive and depart:  
(1) bring snow removal equipment;

(2) consider bringing 2"x6" or 2"x8" boards to park on such that the RV doesn't sink into the snow ; and

(3) if you find yourself getting stuck while attempting to leave: STOP! Take a breather and get people to help push (or pull with their 4x4). Digging into the snow will just make it tougher to extract the vehicle later.

Follow these considerations and you'll minimize the possibility of needing to call for more expensive help.

## Stay Warm Stay Safe

Follow these tips to stay warm, dry, comfortable & safe:

- ❄ **Alcohol gives one a false sense of warmth when in fact your body may be colder than you realize.** Alcohol stops you from shivering and allows more blood to the extremities through blood vessel dilation, cooling your body even faster. Be aware of how much you're consuming. Consume non-alcoholic beverages or warm water to rehydrate.
- ❄ **Use the buddy system.** Colorado has extreme mountains and extreme weather. And there's the Safety Third idea. With extreme indulging you may lose yourself, out in the open. Things can end badly. Make friends with your nearby campers and ask them to be your buddy, unless you already have a one (or a few). People die from hypothermia aggravated by alcohol and other substances. Check on your buddies periodically, like once an hour until sleeping safely out of the elements.
- ❄ **Seek out heat producing art installations and theme camps based around campfires.** Enjoy the company of other participants to warm your body and soul. Try not to spend much time alone in the cold, and keep an eye on other solo participants.
- ❄ **Be careful not to overheat.** Also, think twice about using a personal heating device that may dry your skin, cause burns or create a fire hazard. Stay on your guard, and maintain a safe distance from fire art, fire performances and other heat sources. See *Fire Safety* for more information.
- ❄ **Remember to hydrate even though it's cold.** Also, when consuming beverages, remember alcohol and caffeine are diuretics.
- ❄ **For more information for first time winter campers,** visit the National Park Service's Rocky Mountain safety website at [bit.ly/CBEnpsRM](http://bit.ly/CBEnpsRM)

### Don't Be That Guy

In February 2009, a man disappeared from downtown Breckenridge in a blinding snowstorm.

He was last seen walking down the middle of main street after leaving a bar and his body was found two months later.

We should use this story to remind us of how important it can be to use the buddy system to avoid unexpected accidents.

Just think, this unfortunate event took place in the middle of a large mountain town. Remember, CBE takes place in the wilderness.

Source: [bit.ly/CBEsafe](http://bit.ly/CBEsafe)

# Clothing & Dress

- ❄ If you've ever skied or snowboarded, then you might already have some of the clothing that will work well.
- ❄ Bring more clothing than you think you will need—it's better to have too much than not enough! This especially includes extra mittens, gloves, socks, and hats.
- ❄ Perhaps even more importantly, bring the right kinds of clothing. **Use synthetic or wool fabric for your socks, mittens, undergarments and hats.** All the layers you can bear won't be very comfortable if your entire outfit is wet, heavy, or stinky! Cotton kills!
- ❄ **Base layers!!** Choose polyester or similarly wicking materials ; avoid cotton if at all possible. Once cotton gets wet, it becomes significantly hard to dry because the fibers clump together.
- ❄ Insulated, waterproof boots (two pairs) are a must- have! Also bring wind- and water-resistant outerwear, such as ski jackets and snow pants, over layers of breathable synthetic material. In addition to a warm hat, you should bring balaclavas, dickeys (mock turtlenecks), ear muffs, mittens and liners. and glove liners. Mittens are best because your fingers will stay warm easier when they are together. Be prepared to cover your face, ears, neck, head, extremities... heck, every inch of your body!
- ❄ Dress in loose layers of clothing that can easily be removed when you get warm, or put back on as you start to get chilly. This ability to layer down as you heat up will keep you from overheating, and more importantly, from sweating and getting your clothes wet. Wet clothes are a dangerous situation when camping in winter weather. Also plan on bringing multiple changes of clothes undergarments, socks, and multiple pairs of gloves (or mittens for even more warmth), hats, boots, etc. so you'll always have something dry, as you may change your ensemble two or three times as often as you would under normal conditions.
- ❄ Costumes are strongly encouraged. Faux fur is always in fashion. Don't forget colorful hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves!



# Good Neighbors

**Exercise the principle of Civic Responsibility and respect the local community!** Although CBE and Fhloston Peak have few neighbors, residences near the event site are not affiliated with our event.

- ❄ Stay within campground boundaries and only use public roadways.
- ❄ Do not attempt to enter or exit the event site except where instructed.
- ❄ High- volume, amplified sound systems may only be operated in designated areas and must not disturb our neighbors, and must not be audible from the property boundary.
- ❄ **All amplified sound must be cut off or turned down to “camp” level after 10 pm.** Sound equipment that causes problems after an initial warning may be relocated or disabled; repeat offenders may be ejected from the event.
- ❄ **Please do not arrive outside of gate hours.** *See page 3 for up to date hours.*
- ❄ Do not park on the road!

# Gifting

CBE promotes the principles of gift giving and de commodification. To provide an experience free of commercial exploitation, sales of products or services of any kind are prohibited at the event. This includes the sale of handmade items, food and beverages for any amount, even if it is less than the cost of production.

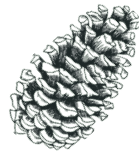
# Volunteering

Please do your part by volunteering time and effort before, during, or after the event. Maybe you can serve as Gate, Ranger, DPW, Photo/Media, or in another capacity?

Let us know how you're willing to help by signing up here: [bit.ly/CBEVolunteer](http://bit.ly/CBEVolunteer)

## Contacts:

- ❄ Volunteer Coordinator: Marcus ([orangeevening@hotmail.com](mailto:orangeevening@hotmail.com))
- ❄ Safety Third: Ty ([typarker123@gmail.com](mailto:typarker123@gmail.com))
- ❄ Rangers: Mariah ([mariah.rossel@gmail.com](mailto:mariah.rossel@gmail.com))



# Public Safety

Cooperation is the cornerstone of our CBE event and the burner community. However, there is no guarantee that a few bad apples won't slip into the event and cause harm. Always maintain awareness of your personal safety during the event.

## Respect Your Surroundings & Neighbors

- ❄ Secure your belongings before you leave your camp, get to know your neighbors and work together to keep things secure.
- ❄ Make new friends, but be alert to the actions and intentions of those you meet.
- ❄ Be cautious about accepting gifts of drink or food from strangers. Before wandering off alone or with a new friend, tell someone you know and trust where you are going.
- ❄ CBE and our hosts support all local, state and federal laws. CBE does not promote or condone the use of illegal drugs, which can cause a serious health risk in hazardous winter conditions.
- ❄ The legal drinking age in Colorado is 21.
- ❄ As with other burns, community mediators called CBE Rangers may also be available to help resolve conflicts between participants. However, neither the event staff or Rangers are Law- Enforcement officials, and any breaches of the law or conflicts stemming from breaches of the law which cannot be resolved via mediation may result in expulsion from the event or (as a last resort) be referred to local Law Enforcement.
- ❄ ALWAYS ASK FOR CONSENT! It is imperative that you ask for consent and respect the boundaries of others. Silence is not consent. Yes means yes. Everything else means NO!

## Emergency Services

Several experienced EMTs will be attending CBE as participants and may be available to provide assistance in the event of an emergency. However, participants are ultimately responsible for their own health and well-being.

- ❄ If you require assistance or treatment and are mobile, please find someone to escort you to a warm place and contact a CBE organizer, Ranger, or EMT (if available). If the situation is an emergency and you need IMMEDIATE assistance, call 9-1-1 (see below for dispatch information).
- ❄ Remember, there's no shame in feeling sick. Ask for help if you need it; we're all here for each other.
- ❄ Rangers are available at the event. They wear khaki and have radios for any necessary communication. Find one if you require assistance!

# Fire Safety

CBE participants must understand and perform all responsibilities for fire safety. Use common sense and judgement when operating fire/LPG installations.

- ❄ When used for artistic purposes, fire must not endanger participants or damage property. All artists and crews are solely responsible for their art. This includes verification, through adequate testing, that performers, participants, staff and safety personnel will not be endangered by the piece.
- ❄ Operators and performers must not smoke while participating with any fire project, and must not

consume or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs of any kind while performing their duties.

Negligence, carelessness and unsafe conditions will not be tolerated.

- ✧ Fires are only allowed in designated areas inside the event.
- ✧ CBE assumes NO responsibility for the safety of ANY art projects or performances, whether approved or not.

## Open Fire

Open, ember producing fires of any kind are prohibited to the event. This also includes pyrotechnics or fireworks of any kind.

## Flame Effects

Flames that are automated, switched, pressurized or having any action beyond simply “being on fire” are called flame effects. Projects that use propane or liquid fuels also qualify.

Every flame effects artist is required to follow these guidelines:

- ✧ Understand and properly use all equipment related to their materials, including, but not limited to, fuel lines, fittings and pressure levels ;
- ✧ Prepare a safety plan specific to their piece, and be certain that all persons attending and/or assisting with the piece know and understand the plan ;
- ✧ Install the piece such that all flames and fuel are a sufficient distance from structures, vehicles and other installations ;
- ✧ Provide sufficient and proper fire extinguishers ;
- ✧ Attest that all effects operators and assistants are at least eighteen years of age and trained in the proper use of the fire extinguishers provided ; and
- ✧ Inspect all equipment as often as necessary to ensure proper assembly and operation.
- ✧ Flame effects installations may only be set up and operated in designated areas inside the event.

## Fire Performance

Any performance involving human interaction with fire requires specific precautions:

- ✧ All equipment must be inspected before use.
- ✧ At least one person should be identified as a “safety” for the performance. This person will have a fire blanket or other means of extinguishing any fires that are caused.
- ✧ If multiple performers are involved, the performance should not begin until all performers and safety personnel are in place and ready.
- ✧ Do not smoke while performing or perform under the influence of alcohol or any drug!
- ✧ Fire performances may only take place in designated areas inside the event.
- ✧ Fire performers SHOULD wear cotton during performances. Synthetics typically do not burn ; they melt. Non-performers and other participants should still avoid cotton in any case.
- ✧ All fire performers and safeties must be sober before and during the performance.

# Media, Photography & Video

Photography, including video recording and media coverage are welcome at CBE, but respect for the privacy of our participants is everyone's responsibility. You may only use photography to document your own experience at CBE. Respect the CBE community, especially when you are behind the lens.

- ✧ **Always ask for Consent!** Do not interfere with anyone's experience by pointing a camera where it is not welcome! To reiterate, only YES means YES. Everything else means NO!
- ✧ If you feel that someone with a camera is causing a nuisance, contact a Ranger or member of the event staff (aka someone with a radio).
- ✧ Commercial use of all imagery captured at CBE is prohibited without express permission. Images captured for personal use must not be professionally distributed.

## Leave No Trace

As a Leave No Trace (LNT) event, CBE is committed to leaving our venue better than we find it, to ensure that we are invited back. It is important that everyone do their part. Here are some tricks:

- ✧ Plan ahead. Don't make a mess if you can avoid it.
- ✧ Clean as you go. Left alone, a little mess often gets worse over time. It's usually easier to clean up smaller messes now and then, than to deal with a larger mess all at once.
- ✧ Don't let it hit the ground, so you won't have to stoop to pick it up!
- ✧ Carry a portable ashtray to dispose of your butts. An empty metal candy or mint container works well.
- ✧ Create valuable, meaningful gifts that are not likely to be discarded. Don't give away trinkets that become MOOP. MOOP stands for Matter Out of Place. No MOOP can be left behind during or after the event.
- ✧ Scour your campsite, art installation and/or theme camp before leaving. Pick up what you find... if it's yours or not.
- ✧ Don't leave debris around anything you create.
- ✧ Carefully clean up broken glass or other sharp objects. Wear gloves! Use a broom and dustpan. Place larger pieces in a container they cannot pierce.
- ✧ Bring more trash bags than you expect to use.
- ✧ **Reduce, reuse, recycle!** Leave excess packaging at home. Use your own reusable, non--glass drink container when visiting theme camps and installations. Choose recyclable containers and energy efficient light and power sources. Salvage your camp materials and art projects for reuse or adaptation at your next burn event.
- ✧ Every participant is required to remove everything from the site that he/she brings or acquires. This includes trash, other discards and all personal belongings.
- ✧ Portable toilets are for human waste and single ply toilet paper ONLY!
- ✧ No baby wipes, feminine hygiene products are to go into the porta potties ever!

**If it wasn't in your body, don't put it in the potty!**



# Additional Resources

## Directions & Local Conditions

[Bailey, CO weather report](#)

[Bailey, CO weather report \(10 day\)](#)

[Directions to Fhloston Peak](#)

## Winter Camping & Survival

[Winter Camping in Colorado](#)

[Beginners Guide to Winter Camping](#)

[12 Essential Winter Camping and Backpacking Hacks](#)

[National Park Service Rocky Mountain Safety](#)

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