

ברית לצריף 8

<i>Respect personal and camp property</i>	<i>Challenge yourself to do new things</i>
<i>Share with each other</i>	<i>Keep your body to yourself</i>
<i>Use as much as you can עברית</i>	<i>Listen to each other and to the מדורכים</i>
<i>Be kind</i>	<i>Ask for help</i>
<i>Participate in נקיון and גורף activities</i>	<i>Look out for each other</i>
<i>Keep your space clean.</i>	<i>Safety first</i>
<i>Have fun!</i>	<i>Wait for a מדורכ before going into the גורף</i>

As one of your גורף פעולות on the first day, work together with the תניכים to come up with a ברית/covenant for your גורף. An example of a ברית is above. Note the use of the Hebrew and the Jewish language of צריף. A צריף will run more smoothly if the expectations for communal living are set at the very beginning. Use the program suggested below or come up with your own.

Gather the תניכים into a circle. One מדורכ should be the scribe to write down elements of the ברית on a poster board with markers. Use different colors. Make it beautiful. At the end, everyone who lives in the צריף should sign the bottom, agreeing to live by those rules, and the poster hung up on the wall. Because the תניכים help to make up the rules, there is immediate buy-in.

Begin by asking the תניכים what a ברית is and guide them to understand: it is like a promise, and like a contract, and it contains the rules that the community or family of the צריף agree to live by. Then ask each תניך to contribute something. Restate each "rule" positively, so if a תניך says "don't steal" that might become "respect personal property." After each rule is said positively and the language is agreed upon, write that rule down and move to the next מדורכ. תניך should also contribute, and should make sure to cover respect and safety. As you write down rules, explain them. Make sure that everyone understands each concept. All מדורכים in the צריף are responsible for holding the תניכים accountable to the elements of the לצריף ברית.

No תניכים are allowed in מדורכים without צריפים. This rule is a very important safety issue, especially in אילנות. Please go over this with your תניכים and enforce it diligently. For example, תניכים who get back from lunch before their מדורכים should wait on the מרפסת/porch until a מדורכ arrives, and only then enter the צריף for תנוחה. מדורכים need to hurry back to the צריף any time that תניכים need to be there, for example after עזרה צריפים and after ערב גורף.