

ENGULF 2021

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LAZY B RANCH
KENTWOOD, LA

Survival Guide



WHAT IS ENGULF?

Engulf is a team effort by the New Orleans Burning Man Community to create a weekend camping event that brings Burning Man's spirit and 10 principles to our region. Engulf 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 were all successes and this year we continue the experiment in community building and self-reliance by once again erecting our own temporary city where self-expression, inclusion, and immediacy are core values.

Engulf is a community event created by YOU! It comes about through communal effort and all participants are part of the Engulf community. Being part of the community can mean being a participant before, during, or after the event. Participants should enjoy all the event has to offer, including the many voluntary ways to help, such as greeting new arrivals, designing and building the city, guarding the event perimeter, curating the art, and more. Some participants will help provide security or safety; these participants will be trained and/or licensed for these roles.

The event is funded by ticket sales and any profits made from ticket sales go right back into improving our ability to create Engulf, which may include anything from acquiring infrastructure to supporting art for the event to engaging our civic responsibility to our communities through donations to charitable causes.

There are no sponsors, vending, advertising, promoting, or commerce of any kind at this event except for ice. Be self-reliant: You should provide for all your needs while at Engulf, but if you have something to share—a dance, a meal, a work of art, a smile—that's called gifting.

Engulf values the use of natural, reclaimed, reused, or reusable materials of all kinds and when we leave the event and take down our city, we "leave no trace." Everyone packs out what they pack in, including garbage and recycling.



AGE REQUIREMENT

21 and Up

GATE HOURS

Thursday

Noon to 10pm

Friday

10am to 10pm

Saturday

10am to 8pm

Sunday

10am to Exodus

RE-ENTRY

No re-entry allowed

EXODUS

Once the gate closes, you will **NOT** be able to enter until it reopens.

SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS!

EARLY ENTRY

You may apply for early entry if you are a critical member of a theme camp helping setup, or part of an art installation team. If you come early you **MUST** be working and building, not spectating. Early entry is **NOT** guaranteed. This is not an extra day. Anyone not registered will be turned away at the gate.

Early entry begins Wed, Nov 10th at noon.

IMPORTANT TICKET UPDATE

No need to sit by your mailbox waiting for your ticket to arrive - just bring a printout of your confirmation email to the gate, and our volunteers will check you off the list and provide a snazzy wristband.

It's important that each ticket has up-to-date information on who is picking it up. If someone else bought your ticket, they will either need to be with you to pick up your wristband, or they will need to email llc@engulfburn.org with their order number, the new ticket owner(s) name(s) and email address, and the number of tickets they are transferring.

TEN GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The New Orleans Burning Man Community is proud to be an active part of the Regional Network and has created Engulf to operate with these intentions.

Radical Inclusion

Anyone is allowed to attend Engulf, and no prerequisites exist.

Gifting

Burners are devoted to acts of unconditional gift giving no expectation of trade or return.

Decommodification

Our community seeks to create social environments that are unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions, or advertising.

Radical Self-reliance

We encourage 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

Communal Effort

Our community values creative cooperation and collaboration.

Civic Responsibility

Community members who organize events should assume responsibility for public welfare and endeavor to communicate civic responsibilities to participants.

Leaving No Trace

We are committed to leaving no physical trace of our activities wherever we gather.

Participation

Our community is committed to a radically participatory ethic. Everyone is invited to work. Everyone is invited to play.

Immediacy

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.



WHAT TO AND NOT TO BRING

BRING: Everything you will need to survive a 3-day event in a camping environment with limited shade. Including:

- Water and food for 3 days (1.5 gallons of water per person per day)
- Shelter and gear (weather could be hot, rainy, or cold check the forecast before you leave for the event)
- A wonderful attitude and respect for the event and its participants
- A first aid kit and any medication you need
- A fire extinguisher if you're coming in an RV/ camper or are a fire artist
- Garbage and recycling bags

DO NOT BRING: Anything prohibited on the ticket, the waiver, or in this survival guide. Including:

- Weapons
- Explosives, fireworks, fuel in anything but proper containers, personal fires, fire pits, tiki torches
- Hand-held lasers
- Anything falling apart or extremely MOOPY (MOOP = Matter Out of Place aka trash)
- Trampolines
- Illegal substances
- Pets (for service animals, please have paperwork)
- Anything to vend (vending of any kind is prohibited at Engulf except ice sales by Engulf)

ALL ART must be safe and in keeping with event directives. Any art or performance that is deemed unsafe must be halted, repaired, disassembled, or removed as requested by Engulf Board. Failure to comply means ejection from the event.

GETTING THERE

Engulf is at the Lazy B Ranch in Kentwood, Louisiana, which is about an hour and a half/45min from New Orleans. Do not arrive before the gates open on the first day unless Engulf has arranged early entry for an art project, theme camp, or volunteer position. You will not be let in early without approved early entry.

For entry you must have a valid, unexpired, government-issued photo ID, event ticket (we recommend you print your e-ticket and bring it with you), and you must sign the event waiver provided at the gate. Upon verifying both photo ID and signed waivers, you will pass through the gates. No ticket? No entry. No exceptions. This is a 21 and up only event.

You must abide by all rules in the survival guide and on your ticket (see ticket guidelines immediately below and see full waiver at the end of this document). You must also adhere to Engulf rules and warnings, whether given verbally at the event and on any event signage.

Participants are
Responsible for Their
Own Safety at the
Event

There will be
absolutely
NO TICKET SALES at
the Gate... as in zero.

(NOTE: Cell reception may not be reliable. Consider printing your map or memorizing it.)

23211 Highway 440
Kentwood, LA 70444

Once you are past the Gate, find a greeter and get your hugs. Greeters know all the things.

GATE AND PARKING

GATE RULES

- Please follow directives given by Gate volunteers to help us get you in safely and quickly.
- All vehicles are subject to search.
- Exit and re-entry, i.e., “ins and outs”, are only allowed in cases of **emergency** and with the express consent of a Board member and on a case-by case basis.
- If you must leave the event early, you will not be allowed re-entry.

PARKING

Carpooling with friends, family, campmates, or random strangers is highly encouraged. The Engulf site has limited parking available. Vehicles should only be parked in approved areas. Upon arrival, drop your gear at your camping spot and then park your car in the lot-Parking volunteers on hand 10am to 10pm. You may not camp in the parking lot. There is a separate RV/Car camping area.



BASICS AT ENGULF

- Only approved Mutant Vehicles, bicycles, emergency and administrative vehicles are allowed to cruise around during the event. Speed limit: 5 mph
- Ice is available for sale by the event (11am-3pm, Fri-Sun)
- Respect the art and artists at Engulf by only modifying artwork with the permission of the artist. If you see someone vandalizing, ask them to stop or inform a Ranger
- Other than ice, there will be no other sales or concessions of any kind at Engulf
- Abide by all relevant local, state and federal laws. You may see law enforcement agents in the event, but they are there for your safety. Engulf and Engulf LLC cooperates with all local, parish, state, and federal officials.
- You are solely responsible for bringing your gear and any needed supplies.
- Only the 3 Ps are allowed in the Porta-Potties: Pee, Poop, and Paper. No wet wipes, tampons, plastic, or any other objects!

CAMPING

- There are two ways to camp at Engulf. Either with a theme camp, or in one of the designated open camping areas. RVs and trailers that aren't with a theme camp must camp in the designated RV parking area.
- Theme Camps are given clearly marked camping spots. Open Camping placement is on a first-come, first serve basis. Please be mindful not to block the pathways!
- Lazy B Ranch and Engulf do not provide electricity to participants. Port-a-potties and two showers are provided.
- Please be responsible and flag your tent stakes and ropes to prevent any distracted Engulfers (possibly yourself) from unnecessary injuries.
- Remember that people are not necessarily going to want to sleep when you do. Bring ear plugs so you can sleep on your own terms.

LEAVE NO TRACE

The Leave No Trace effort, led by Earth Guardians, is arguably our most cherished and tangible principle. This means that we must leave the site in better condition than we found it, showing absolutely no evidence of our having been there. Each participant must remove all items they brought with them – including their trash and all the tiny bits of things that humans tend to shed – when they leave the site. For Engulf, the “Leave No Trace” concept also extends beyond the event to include the goal of buying less and reusing more for the wonderful things you bring to Engulf as well as supporting environmental causes in the gulf region. For more info on how you can help LNT at Engulf, contact any Earth Guardian volunteer.

MOOP = Matter Out Of Place



VOLUNTEERS: WE NEED YOU!

Engulf is a 100% volunteer-run event and we are always looking for enthusiastic burners (or prospective burners) that want to help out! Sign up for a shift today www.engulfburn.org/volunteer Want to take a shift last-minute? Volunteer coordinators will be stationed at the HIVE, which will be welcoming and placing all walk-up volunteers throughout the event.

CONSENT

Consent is sometimes called the 11th Principle. Consent allows us to create the safest possible space in which we all can play. Engulf and the Burning Man community have a culture that respects and encourages active consent. Our willingness to respect boundaries allows us to create the safest possible space in which we all can play. Respectful, open communication; willing, informed consent; and awareness are the tools we use in creating this environment, and consent makes the event better for every participant. Bystander response is also important; when in doubt call on a Ranger or other event personnel. You are obligated to get someone’s consent in a sexual context, in a situation involving video or photography, or in any situation affecting the experience of another person at Engulf.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

Engulf's Safety Team includes our First Aid, Fire Department, FART (Fire Art Response Team), Fire Perimeter, Engulf Rangers, ESP (Engulf Sanctuary Participants), Night Team (event perimeter guards), and the Hive. The Safety Team is on hand to triage and provide first aid for problems or injuries, assist with disputes, maintain the safety of the event and participants, help with someone who is disoriented or upset, ensure fire and fire art is safe and operates within safety limits.

The volunteers on our Safety Teams are just that – volunteers. Which means they are ticket-buying participants just like you. Rangers and ESP / Sanctuary are trained. Our fire safety volunteers are experienced in safely starting and putting out fires.

A Sanctuary will be provided for those who need a quiet, calm space where you can speak to someone or take a breather. A soft landing, if you will.

The Safety HQ will be clearly marked on the Engulf map and highly visible at the event. Seek help at Safety HQ directly, or they can come to you. Please ask an on-duty safety volunteer or Ranger if you need medical, mental health, or other assistance.

Pairs of Rangers can be found circulating the event 24/7, helping out as needed. They carry radios to access additional resources and are trained to mediate disputes. Rangers do prefer that you practice radical self-reliance first and ask for help second – but participants are encouraged to ask for assistance when they need it.

SAFETY BASICS

- Engulf is a three-day event. You're expected to rely on yourself for all your basic needs. Please prepare for rain, wind, and other extreme weather. Failure to do so may result in way less of a good time.
- Engulf's city limits do not extend across the entire property at Lazy B Ranch. Safe trails and roads will be clearly marked. If you decide to wander into the wilderness, understand that you do so at your own risk and the event is not liable for any consequences.
- If you're severely allergic to anything in nature including bee stings or bug bites, please take the appropriate precautions.
- Please help us to help you by bringing a basic first-aid kit with each group/theme camp and knowing how to use the contents.
- A burn can be an intense experience so mental preparation is just as important as your physical preparation. Check out: Nowhere Burns Emotional Survival Guide.

If you have a pre-existing medical condition that you feel may become a problem during the event, please make a campmate aware of it and inform the Safety Team. Please be sure to bring any medications you might need during the event.

Get approval from FART for any fire art and plan to discuss your art and safety plan. FART members don't bite – we limit risk and prevent friends from getting hurt.

EMERGENCIES AND CALLING 911

Safety volunteers are also your portal to off-site medical care locations. While you can contact 911 directly, please try and route the request through a Ranger or First Aid volunteer so that we can remain “in the loop” and facilitate. In the event you need to be evacuated to a hospital or wish to travel to one yourself, contact Safety HQ. We will provide information or assistance to get you to the local hospital or Urgent Care Center.

RANGERS: HERE TO HELP

Engulf Rangers are first and foremost citizens of Engulf. They help to preserve the safety, welfare, and quality of experience of our community while supporting participants. They are burners and participants just like you – they are not “law enforcement.” You can spot Engulf Rangers by their Swampy Green shirt with the Ranger logo on the front and back.

ART

Anyone making a commitment to creating art at Engulf must take responsibility for all aspects of that creation. From filling out the art installation registration form, participating in a dialogue with us, protecting your art, to cleanup accountability, every aspect of creating art must be taken seriously.

Artwork must be sufficiently secured against high winds and intense weather conditions that can arise at Lazy B Ranch. If you use guide wires they must be flagged.

Artwork must be sufficiently illuminated at night, including rebar, guide wires and any other part of the installation that somebody could crash into. This includes lighting your build materials before you finish creating your art installation. Note that it's a darn good idea to use something that cannot be stolen or removed. Camping is not allowed at any art installation.

EFFIGY AND FIRE

FIRE PERFORMANCE SAFETY

Fire is a spectacular part of our event, when done safely and in a controlled manner. The Fire Art Response Team (FART) will be on hand to monitor the safe operation of fire art and performance. Spinning artists must adhere to approved safety precautions when using fire. Personal fires of any kind are prohibited (see above). **All physical fire art requires prior/expressed approval by the FART team.**

EFFIGY

Engulf's effigy is the pinnacle of the event; the Saturday night inferno around a large wooden sculpture designed and built by a hard-working crew of Effigy volunteers. Please honor this art by not intentionally damaging, defacing, or burning it. Do not smoke or use open flames nearby. Participants may leave memories and (non-destructive) thoughts on the Effigy. The Effigy will burn on Saturday night at 10:00pm.

PERSONAL/CAMP FIRE POLICY

All open flamed devices, including but not limited to, burn barrels, fire pits, campfires, torches without covers (tiki torches), and candles, are prohibited. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Conclave and fire spinners shall be authorized to practice and to perform in pre-designated and authorized spaces. Please speak to an Actual or the Conclave leaders to determine where these areas are located.

Personal fireworks are prohibited at Engulf. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Chinese lanterns and other paper items that are ignited in any way are prohibited at Engulf. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

These rules are to protect the safety and the property of those in attendance as well as the surrounding land and community. One accidental fire could damage the futures of the event and the community in which we hold Engulf.

SITE OPS

Engulf happens, in part, through the hard work of a few bold soldiers known as Site Ops who provide the infrastructure, power, and grunt work necessary for the event to run smoothly. Engulf Site Ops reminds you that if it's not yours, don't mess with it. Things put in place by Site Ops, like signage and safety barriers, are there for a reason.

- All generators must have a sound baffle.
- DO NOT run electrical cords across roads or walkways.
- All structures, including tie downs, must be inside theme campsite markers (if camping in a theme camp) and must be secure from high wind or other stress.
- Joyriding or any other misuse of any vehicle, Art Car or Staff Golf Cart, is grounds for eviction from the event.
- Illuminating guide wires and ground stakes are highly recommended empty beer cans or tennis balls work great.

SOUND POLICY

Amplified sound is an integral part of Engulf as it is any Burn, and Engulf highly encourages and appreciates artistic expression through the medium of SOUND.

All Engulf Theme Camps bringing amplified sound intending to create an environment for gathering to dance, relax, or otherwise participate where music is the primary form of artistic expression are considered to be Sound Camps, regardless of the size, wattage, or volume of their system.

All Sound Camps, regardless of their power source, must agree to abide by the sound policy in order to gain placement at Engulf events.

Sound Levels and Enforcement:

The purpose of setting maximum sound levels is to ensure that your neighbors inside the event are happy and that the neighbors outside the event are happy so your sound camp can continue having sound for the next year.

Upon arriving at Engulf, report the sound equipment you have with you at the Gate, even if it's just a boom-box.

- **Level 1 (Loud):** Normal car stereo / average living. No camps or art that produce amplified sound louder than above can be placed in the Level 1 areas. These camps can't be heard outside of their camps. The system would consist of a few small powered speakers. No subwoofers or DJ monitors are in this category. If the sound can be heard

outside your camp there will be a need to regulate it. This category includes art projects for placement purposes. The open camping (pine forest) will have no amplified sound louder than a boom box and none after 10pm. No generators can run after 10pm.

- **Level 2 (Louder):** Small dance club or theatre (70 dB at a distance of 3 meters). Any sound camp consisting of one or two DJ monitors rated at 300 watts or less. Generators and sound can go 24 hours. Please be aware of your neighbors and during times late at night or early in the morning, be mindful to your sound being enjoyed as opposed to just on and running. The Sound Squad (Rangers, Organizers, and Sound Team Volunteers) may ask you to turn your volume down, or completely off. Honor these requests.
 - **Level 3 (Loudest):** Large dance club or arena. (100 dB at a distance of 3 meters). Generators and sound can go 24 hours. The Sound Squad (Rangers, Organizers, and Sound Team Volunteers) may ask you to turn your volume down, or completely off. Honor these requests.

The dB levels here are intended as guidelines. What is important is the impact your sound has on your surroundings.

Engulf respects the needs and regulations of the local communities surrounding our event. Some of your



music may travel beyond our perimeter and into these communities. Basic sound rules have been listed, but please note that they may be subject to change before or during the event. Excessive sound is the single most likely reason that law enforcement officers will visit Engulf.

The Sound Squad will be monitoring and working with sound camps throughout the event. Failure to comply with their requests will be grounds for removal. If the police arrive with noise complaints, they may be directed toward camps that are violating sound policies. In the event of any disagreement or dispute over sound, neighbors should talk to one another when the sound becomes a problem and try to resolve the issue through direct communication before involving a

Ranger, LLC member, or volunteer. Discuss and listen. Express your concerns. Be respectful.

Bring ear plugs. Burns can be LOUD. Be prepared to accommodate the community's need for sound with your personal needs for rest or quiet.

In the event of an emergency or evacuation, we will need you to help us notify participants that an emergency has arisen and broadcast the instructions of the emergency team. For this reason, medium to large sound camps must bring a working microphone to make emergency announcements and all sound camps must comply with requests from the LLC for disseminating information through their sound systems.

COOPERATION & THE LAW

Engulf's site, Lazy B Ranch, is privately owned and operated. Comply with any reasonable request that law enforcement, your organizers, your hosts, or their employees make of you. Failure to do so is grounds for removal from Engulf, and that's way less of a good time.



EXODUS

Sunday, November 14th

All participants except for select volunteers must be off the property by 5:00 P.M. Please make sure to Leave No Trace of your campsite and try to pick up anything you may find along the way. While we know stinky trash is not a fun traveling companion, it is vitally important that everything you pack out ends up in its proper place, NOT on the side of the road or in private dumpsters! If you'd like to help the Earth Guardian team on Sunday, and potentially beyond, please volunteer and register with a volunteer coordinator at the Hive.

Participants are responsible for their own safety at the event!

Thank you for reading and for your participation! Don't forget that Engulf can only be the incredible experience it is with YOUR help.

Looking forward to seeing you at ENGULF!

