



Hetuck District Cub Roundtable “Responsibility” September 2010

1. **Opening Ceremony - Spirit of Cub Scouting.**
2. **Prayer**
3. **Welcome and Introduction**
 - a. **Purpose of the Roundtable**
 - b. **Introductions**
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 - a. **Training**
 - i. Cub Scout Leader Specific –
1. September 18th OR September 25th OR October 14th
 - ii. Tiger Leader Specific - September 23rd
 - iii. Youth Protection Training
 - iv. Pow Wow Leader Training – November 6th
 - b. **Events**
 - i. Kilbuck Family Campout – September 24 -26th
 - ii. Popcorn Sales Begin! – 10/1/2010
 - iii. Buckeye Centennial Camporall– 10/15-17/10 See Attached
 - iv. Scouting for Food – November 13th
5. **Program – “Outing in Scouting”**
6. **Roundtable Discussion**
 - a. **Purpose**
7. **Audience Participation Story – Fire Safety**
8. **Break Out Sessions**
9. **Commissioner’s Minute**

**NOTE: Our Next Roundtable is October 11th @ 7:00pm
PLEASE BRING A FRIEND!!!**



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Spirit of Cub Scouting

Room lights are dimmed. The Cubmaster lights a single candle at the front of the room and says, “Cub Scouts, this candle represents the spirit of Cub Scouting, lighting our way through life. But the flame can also represent danger. Make sure it is never allowed to run wild and cause destruction. Let’s remember to be careful and wise with fire, not only as boys, but later on as men.

“This light of Cub Scouting gives us warmth and good cheer. We will let the light of Cub Scouting burn throughout our meeting to remind us of our ideals.”

Turn on the lights; the color guard presents the colors and leads in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Cub Scout Oath.

Opening Prayer

“We are thankful for our safety in our home, at school, and as we play. Help us do our best, be responsible every day, and be good Cub Scouts.”



Hetuck Den Leader Trainings

Location: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
735 Easthill St SE, North Canton, OH

Dates: Saturday, Sept 18th 2010 (All Den Leaders)
Saturday, Sept 25th 2010 (All Den Leaders)

Times: 8:00am This is Scouting video

9:00am Den Leader Specific Breakouts (completion by noon)

Thursday, Sept 23rd 2010 (Tiger Den Leader Specific)

Time: 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM Tiger leader Specific

Cost for all Classes: \$2.00 for class

Or pay \$10 for *Class* and a *Cub Scout Leader Guide*

Fill out the form below and return to the Scout Office one week prior to the training to guarantee a slot.

Hetuck Den Leader Specific Training

Name: _____

Pack: _____ **Ph No:** _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____@_____

\$2 Training or \$10 Cub leader Handbook & Training

Select Which Session You Will Attend:

Tiger leader

Den leader

Webelos leader

Select which date you will attend

Sat, Sept 18

Thurs, Sept 23 (tiger den leaders only)

Sat Sept. 25



Hetuck Cub Leader Specific Training

Date: Thursday, Oct 14th 2010

Location: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
735 Easthill St SE, North Canton, OH

Time: 6:30 PM Specific Breakouts (completion by 9:00 PM)

Cost: \$2.00 for class
Or pay \$10 for *Class and Cub Scout Leader Guide*

**Fill out the Form Below and Return to the Scout Office
by Oct 6th to guarantee a slot.**

Hetuck Cub Leader Specific Training Oct. 14, 2010

Name: _____

Pack: _____ **Ph No:** _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____@_____

\$2 Training or \$10 Cub leader Handbook & Training
Select Which Session You Will Attend:

Tiger Den leader **Wolf/ Bear den leader** **Webelos leader**

Cubmaster **Committee Member** **Pack Trainer**

Account #1-6801-112-20

Mission Impossible

. . . the next 100 years!

Buckeye Council
**Cub Scout Pow Wow
& Den Chief Training**

Saturday, November 6th, 2010

8:00am-3:30pm

**Faith United Methodist Church
North Canton, OH**

Come learn about your "Mission & Purpose" as a Scout Leader along with all the new classes being offered, including the New Cub Scout Delivery Method, Pack Master, Religious Awards, History & Ceremonies, Knots, Pack Administration, Hands-on Activities, Essentials for New Leaders, Displaying Scouting Memorabilia and many more!

Early Bird Registration fee of \$16.00 due by 10/22/2010

Class schedules and registration materials available at September's Roundtable.
For more information, contact Marlene Floor at floormarlene@yahoo.com

“Camp Killbuck Valley”

Killbuck District Rendezvous

Cub Scout Family Campout



Date.....September 24 – 26, 2010

Location.....Holmes County Fairgrounds

1 mile west of downtown Millersburg on State Rt. 39

Sponsored by.....Killbuck District

Hosted by.....Pack 357 Millersburg

**Cost-\$5 per scout or
\$10 per family**

This will be a great way to encourage new scouts to join and see how much fun Scouting can be! This is for scouts and their families (including brothers and sisters AND friends). ***Bring the whole family!***

Camping

Each family or pack is welcome to setup a campsite. Meals will be at your campsite. Remember camp chairs, firewood and food for your group.

Trading Blanket

Everyone is encouraged to make crafts or bring items to put on their blanket. *Come prepared by making this one of your first den meeting activities for 2010!*

Other points of interest

Check in when you arrive. Please pre-register your pack with approximate numbers by 9/1/2010. Patches will be handed out.

We will have restrooms, toilet paper, running water, trash cans and pavilion shelter. Each campsite can have a fire pit, but we want you to implement “leave no trace” fire pits.

No Pets and all children must register with a responsible adult.

Name _____ Rank _____

Unit _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Number Attending _____

No Pets and all children must register with a responsible adult.

September 24

6:00 PM Check-in begins

8:00 PM Cracker Barrel & camp-wide campfire

September 25

9:00 – 9:15 Camp-wide meeting & handout activity schedules

9:15 - noon Activities

Noon – 1:00 Lunch at your campsite

1:00 – 3:00 Good Turn Project and Hike Trail

3:00 – 4:30 Free time (Shooting Range Open)

4:30 – 5:00 Trading Blankets

5:00 – 7:30 Dinner at your campsites

7:30 – 9:30 Camp-wide campfire and Vespers

10:00 Taps

September 26

8:30 AM Camp Cleanup and Close Camp

Many activities will be geared around rank advancement for boys, leadership training for adults and fun activities for all.

Here is a list of some of the activities planned.

Bug Hunts & Nature Walk
"Trapper Gaston" is back with his pelts
Shooting Range
Hike on Rails to Trails and Good Turn
Tool Box
Nature Journals
Habitat Games

Scout Lingo you need to know:

Cracker Barrel – This is a time once camp is set up where we gather for heavy snacks and fellowship. Please bring a healthy snack to share with fellow campers.

Good Turn Project – Scouts are taught to give back and so this year we are working with the Holmes County Rails to Trails and Park District to work on a landscaping project. Please bring shovels and work gloves.

Trading Blankets – This is a time when the scouts will be given play money to purchase items from fellow scouts/packs. Be creative with items, i.e. pine cone bird feeders, fire starters, tying ropes, tomahawks, a favorite last year were fudgesicles!

Campfire and Vespers – We will be closing out our evening on Saturday with a campfire ceremony and we would like for boys to come prepared with a skit or song to share around the campfire.



BUCKEYE COUNCIL 2010 CENTENNIAL CAMPORALL

OCTOBER 15-17 AT 7 RANGES

This council-wide event will combine many of the best aspects of Camporees from each district. It will be highlighted with a phenomenal closing show that you do not want to miss. The following is a tentative list of events:

- Geocaching**
- Climbing**
- Orienteering**
- Knots & Lashing**
- First Aid**
- Games**
- Fire Building**
- Indian Lore**
- Kayaking**
- FUN FUN FUN**
- FIREWORKS**
- Many many more**

Please count us in when planning for this event:

Troop: _____ District: _____

Contact: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Probable # attending: YOUTH _____ ADULTS _____

Sorry, we are not able to attend _____

Acct: 1-6801-819-20

Please turn this form in by 6-30-10

Outings Checklist

Plan Event

- Set date/time/location
- Determine cost
- Determine minimum/maximum attendance
- Determine need for parent helpers
- Determine if siblings can be accommodated
- Determine if permission slips are required
- Determine if tour permit is required

Publicize Event

- Send information to newsletter editor (one week prior to pack meeting)
- Distribute flyer in mail folders (at pack meeting prior to event)
- Make announcement at pack meeting
- Send reminder e-mail (one week prior to event)

Signup and Payment

- Create signup sheet for scouts/siblings
- Create signup sheet for parent helpers (include responsibilities)
- Take signups at pack meeting (one month prior to event)
- Collect permission slips at pack meeting (if needed)
- Track payments by scout
- Follow up on late payments or late registrations

Organize Event

- Make reservations
- Purchase tickets and/or supplies (as needed)
- File tour permit if needed (requires Committee Chair signature)
- Obtain pack medical book from Secretary

Execute Event

- Arrive early to confirm arrangements and set up
- Take attendance
- Assign and supervise parent helpers
- Supervise scouts

Wrap Up

- Turn in money and scout detail to Treasurer
- Turn in attendance sheet to Advancement Chair for segments
- Return leftover supplies (or hand off for subsequent events)
- Return pack medical book to Secretary

Note: it is the pack's policy not to issue refunds when scouts or families do not attend events for which they signed up and paid. The no-refund policy protects the pack when tickets or supplies are purchased based on estimated headcount.

Planning and Conducting a Safe Scout Outing

Training Summary

Safe Scouting can happen if you follow the Scout motto—Be Prepared. This unit of supplementary training will describe how to plan for and conduct a safe Scout outing.

Time Required

60 minutes

Target Audience

- Scoutmasters and assistant Scoutmasters
- Troop committee members and other adult troop leaders

Learning Objectives

At the end of this lesson, participants will be able to

- Create a plan for a safe Scout outing.
- Implement the plan during a Scout outing.
- Understand the resources available for planning and conducting a safe Scout outing.

Training Format

- Small-group discussion or lecture, personal coaching, or self-study

Required Materials

- Flip chart and markers
- Pocket-sized notebook and pen or pencil for each participant
- Our Pledge of Performance handout
- Local Tour Permit, No. 34426
- National Tour Permit, No. 4419
- The Informed Consent Agreement (parent/guardian permission slip)
- Personal Health and Medical Record—Class 1 and 2
- Personal Health and Medical Record—Class 3

Training Resources

- Guide to Safe Scouting
- Safe Swim Defense, No. 34370
- Safety Afloat, No. 34368
- Climb On Safely, No 20-099
- Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), No. 34162
- Tours and Expeditions, No. 33737
- Wilderness Use Policy, No. 20-121
- Principles of Leave No Trace, No. 21-105
- Leave No Trace Training Outline, No. 20-113

Planning and Conducting a Safe Scout Outing

The training includes best practices for planning a safe Scouting event and covers safety issues that will crop up during an event (including vehicle, activity, and weather safety).

Planning for the Safe Trip and Scout Outing

Tour Permits

Tour permits are an essential part of the safe Scout outing planning process.

The Local Tour Permit is used for trips of less than 500 miles and lets the local council know where your trip will be taking place. It describes activity training standards required for activities such as swimming, boating, or climbing. It explains the requirements for transportation and leadership training.

The tour leader signs the application, indicating that he or she has read the Guide to Safe Scouting.

The Local Tour Permit includes spaces for officials at facilities visited to sign indicating that cooperation and conduct were satisfactory, as well as vehicle insurance section to be completed for each vehicle used. There is a section outlining transportation requirements (required speeds and licensing). Lastly, the tour permit includes “Our Pledge of Performance,” which covers best practices for a Scout outing.

True stories that shed light on some points of this pledge follow. You are encouraged to contribute anecdotes of your own, and to contribute them for inclusion in future versions of this training. (Send them to supplementaltraining@netbsa.org.)

Point 3: Reasonable Travel Speed and Using Safe Vehicles

Example 1: *A van was traveling at an unsafe rate of speed on an interstate highway, weaving in and out of lanes of traffic. The van driver lost control of his vehicle, which spun in a circle and came to a stop facing oncoming traffic.*

A Scouter driving below the speed limit saw the problem as it developed and was prepared to avoid a collision by leaving the highway onto the grassy median strip.

There was time to react because the safe interval rule was followed—leave at least one car length between your vehicle and the vehicle in front of you for every 10 miles per hour speed. At 50 miles per hour speed, for example, this means leave at least five car lengths between you and the car in front.

There was a safe exit plan. In case of a problem there was a grassy median strip available to enter to get away from the dangerous situation on the highway.

Example 2: *On a very cold day, icy conditions on the road made driving extremely dangerous. The operator of a sport utility vehicle lost traction at 20 miles per hour and slid into the lane of oncoming traffic. The driver aimed the wheels of the SUV in the direction of the skid, regained control of the vehicle, and drove off the road out of the way of oncoming traffic.*

Safe driving speed depends greatly on road conditions and that unsafe situations can occur even at slow rates of speed. It also shows that control of a vehicle in a skid can be regained by turning the wheels in the direction of the skid.

Point 4: Fires Attended at All Times

Example 1: *A person burning trash in a steel barrel poured water on the fire to put it out, then assumed that the heavy barrel was safe to leave.*

The weather shifted unpredictably and strong winds came up, blowing the barrel over. Some hot coals remained in the bottom of the barrel, and they spilled onto dry grass and started a grass fire. The local fire department put out the grass fire, but not before a boat on an adjacent property was damaged.

The safety error made was to assume that the heavy steel barrel had no way of being tipped over and that there was no need to be absolutely certain that the fire embers were completely extinguished.

Example 2: *A Scout wanted to help his campfire along and poured some fuel from a container onto the fire. The fuel caught fire and burned back in midair, singeing the Scout's arm. The Scout knew to remove the source of the fuel (he dropped the can) and to remove the source of the air feeding the fire (he dropped to the ground and rolled his arm in the dirt). He applied first aid for the burns on the arm, including applying ice packs to reduce pain and swelling and to promote healing.*

Point 7: Clean and Sanitary Camp

Example: *Sanitation in camping must not be taken for granted. The safety of water is of particular importance. In 1993 in Wisconsin, for example, an outbreak of cryptosporidium and giardia infection caused severe gastrointestinal disorders, affecting 400,000 people and leading to 60 deaths.*

Water must be made safe to drink by filtration and chemical treatment.

When the Local Tour Permit is completed, send it to your local council office for approval. Allow the office about two weeks for approval.

The Local Tour Permit is an essential and valuable document for planning a Scout outing. Every adult leader and Scout should have a copy of this permit to study so that the obligations undertaken are well understood.

The National Tour Permit is used for trips 500 miles or more (one-way). It is similar to the Local Tour Permit in that it is sent to your local council and then to the BSA regional office for approval, so leave adequate lead time—at least a month—in submitting the application.

The National Tour Permit has space for the following information.

- Leadership and personnel information
- Transportation requirements (driver's licensing and insurance)

- A copy of the itinerary
- An application for an International Letter of Introduction (where desired)

The National Tour Permit describes BSA requirements for health, safety, aquatics, climbing/rappelling, sanitation, wilderness use, and Youth Protection training. The group leader is required to have a copy of the Guide to Safe Scouting and to sign that it has been read.

Both the Local and National Tour Permits are valuable planning and safety tools. Each of these permits refers to other BSA documents that discuss safety training:

- Safe Swim Defense
- Safety Afloat
- Climb On Safely
- Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)
- Tours and Expeditions
- Wilderness Use Policy
- Principles of Leave No Trace
- Leave No Trace Training Outline

Introduction to the Guide to Safe Scouting

Every Scout leader should be familiar with the contents of the Guide to Safe Scouting. Planning for a safe Scouting event is a big responsibility and requires a big guide!

Topics included in this guide include

1. Youth Protection and Adult Leadership
2. Aquatics Safety
3. Camping
4. Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Use and Abuse
5. Emergency Preparedness
6. First Aid
7. Fuels and Fire Prevention
8. Guns and Firearms
9. Sports and Activities
10. Inspections
11. Medical Information
12. Transportation
13. Winter Activities

The Guide to Safe Scouting is revised every year. Be sure that you are using the most current version. Remember—both the Local and National Tour Permits require that the adult leader certify that this guide is in his possession and has been read.

Two-Deep Leadership

Safe Scouting requires adequate adult leadership. For camps, trips, and outdoor activities, this means having at least two adult leaders, one of whom is at least 21 years old. It is unacceptable to have a camp, trip, or outdoor activity with only one adult present. If only one adult is able to attend, the trip must be cancelled. Ideally, at least three adults will accompany the troop on

Scouting on trips. (Note that for properly trained Boy Scout patrols, it is acceptable to have outdoor patrol activities with no adults present. Such activities do require Scoutmaster approval.)

Planning Basics

To plan and conduct a safe and successful Scouting activity you must ask and answer these basic questions:

- **Who** is going?
- **What** is the purpose of the activity?
- **Where** is the group going?
- **When** will events be accomplished?
- **How** will the transportation to and events at the Scout activity be accomplished?

As you work your way through the detailed answers to these questions, refer to the [Guide to Safe Scouting](#) for answers on how to be safe from start to finish of the event.

The patrol method is used in successful Boy Scouting. Use it here to see that your Boy Scouting is safe Scouting. The patrol leader's council and individual Scout patrol members should be actively involved in planning for safety in Scouting events.

Permission Slips and Medical Forms

The Informed Consent Agreement (parent/guardian permission slip) is available on the BSA Web site, as are the two Personal Health and Medical Record Forms—Class 1 and 2 and Class 3.

Study these forms closely to understand their purpose in identifying potential problem areas. See that these forms are used and available to adult Scouters during the course of an activity.

You should have a separate permission slip for each Scout for each activity and an updated medical form each year. Get medical forms for adults, too, as adults can have medical conditions occur on outdoor activities. Be sure to keep these medical forms private and use them only on a need-to-know basis. Troop leadership should review the medical forms of Scouts and leaders to ensure that they are prepared to handle situations which might arise.

Guidelines for Safe Transportation to and from the Outing (Vehicle Safety)

Drive safely!

Some best practices for vehicle safety include:

- Have each vehicle checked for safe operating condition, including tires with good tread and correct air pressure levels, correct level of lubricants and coolant, safe spare tire and jack, emergency supplies of food and water, and a mobile phone or portable citizens band radio.
- Have each driver clearly understand the route plan. A safe route plan will allow adequate time to drive to and from the starting and pickup points during hours of good visibility.
- Have each driver understand the principles of safe defensive driving. These include keeping at least one car length between the driver and the car ahead of him for each 10 miles per hour speed and to have an escape route planned to avoid accidents that may appear ahead.
- The completion of a safe driving course and careful study of state driver's license manuals are highly recommended.

- Ideally, there will be at least two adults in each car. As a minimum, unless they are parent and child, there must never be one adult and one Scout in a car.
- Be sure to observe the guidelines on travel times on the tour permit. The best plan for safety is to have drivers take turns driving so that while one person is driving the other person can be resting. Be sure to take rest stops.

Safety During the Outing

To be safe during a Scout outing, study carefully the safety issues that you may encounter for the kind of Scout activity you are planning. The Guide to Safe Scouting has extensive information on general Scout safety topics.

Here are some points to consider.

1. Know the area where you are going. Be prepared—Know where water will be available. Know where you are by noting landmarks and using navigational aids such as GPS tools and map and compass.
2. Know the special medical needs of any participant (such as diabetes medications) so that you can be alert to needs being met on a timely basis.

Everyone should be trained in how to recognize and deal with cardiac issues if they happen. Have medical forms available with current contact information for each boy. (It does little good to have a home number if no one is at home.)

3. Safety in hiking requires that you know where you are stepping. You should step without putting all your weight down until you are sure of your footing. A sprained ankle, torn ligament, or broken bone can be avoided by taking care with your footing. A walking stick can be valuable for safe hiking.

Safety in hiking requires that you know where you are and can safely find your way back. The backward-look method of navigation is simple and effective. Look back while hiking to recognize the landmarks you will need for your return trip.

4. Use the buddy system. This system is well-known in the Scout Safe Swim Defense plan but is useful in all Scout activities. In brief, each Scout has another Scout as his “buddy.” Each Scout then looks out for the other Scout. In high-adventure hiking, for example, a Scout may spot a need of his buddy Scout (backpack coming untied, for example) that he can then share with his buddy.”

The buddy system is of particular value for spotting emerging physical well-being issues, such as heat stroke and heat exhaustion.

5. Be safe in bear country. Bears are attracted by “smellables,” so a basic rule in avoiding bears is either to avoid taking items on a trip that they like to smell or, if the item is necessary, to keep it in a tightly sealed container.

Here is a bear story that occurred recently in Pennsylvania.

A group of campers stored food in their tent. A bear was attracted by the smell of the food in the tent. When one camper returned to the tent, the bear attacked her. The camper was severely wounded and had to be evacuated. The hospital treated scratch marks on the back, a puncture wound to the leg, and bites on the back of the head.

This could have been avoided if the food had been contained in sealed containers and stored outside of the tent.

6. Weather is a major factor in conducting a safe Scout outing. It can be a tough decision to cancel a trip (either before or during the event) if the weather turns bad. Remember that the overriding concern is the Scouts' safety. You must let responsible persons know where you are heading so you can be located if trouble develops.

Weather can change with drastic suddenness. Even if you have checked the latest weather reports, both for short-term and longer-term outlooks, you must be prepared to deal with unusual cold, often due to extreme wind gusts, or unusual heat.

The ability to stay warm in cold weather will depend on adequate shelter, layered clothing, and a reliable heat source. In cold weather, survival depends on warm, nutritious food and beverages.

In warm weather survival depends on not overheating and replacing fluids and salts lost through sweating. You must have plenty of fresh water as well as salt tablets. If water is found along the way, it must be treated before it can be considered safe to drink. Nutritious drink mixes can be valuable to keep hydrated and to replace salts lost through sweating.

Lightning can be dangerous. During a storm, take shelter in a place that is insulated from lightning. Stay away from metal objects. A complete list of precautions is found in the Guide to Safe Scouting in the Lightning section.

Here is a story about a Scout group's encounter with lightning.

A backpacking group was overtaken by a summer thunderstorm on a ridge line. They removed their packs, took their rain gear and ground pads, got off the ridge line and waited for the storm to pass. When they returned to their packs, they found that lightning had struck one of the packs. Water in a canteen turned into steam and exploded the canteen. The aluminum pieces then went through clothing and a sleeping bag. No one was injured because the group got off the ridge line and away from the place where lightning was likely to strike.

Here are two stories about storm safety at Scout camporees:

A severe thunderstorm headed directly toward a camporee. The Scouts were camped in an open field with few trees. One of the trees was hit by lightning, and several units lost tents and dining flies. No one was seriously injured, although a few Scouts had minor injuries from having their tents fall on them. Someone should have been following the weather, and a decision should have been taken to move the Scouts to a safer location.

Severe weather threatened a camporee, but the leadership was prepared. The boys were quickly rounded up and taken to a building, where a longtime Scouter put on an impromptu skit and song evening. Several tents and dining flies were lost and at least one unit had to go home because their equipment was damaged, but the Scouts were safe.

7. Trees are heavy objects and occasionally fall unexpectedly if their root structure fails. Always inspect trees before pitching tents or conducting activities near them. Review safety procedures for tree cutting with ax and saw. A downed tree is a heavy object, so take precautions that you are not standing near or on a downed tree as it may roll and move unpredictably.

8. Take care of yourself as an adult leader. Your physical condition and well-being are extremely important. Your Scouts have tremendous energy, but their energy can run out quickly. Set a good example for the Scouts, but don't feel that your needs must come last. Remember that if something happens, YOU are the one whose strength, endurance, and good judgment will make the difference. Get plenty of sleep, and keep yourself well-fed and hydrated. When possible, take naps if the Scouts have kept you awake.

Hands-On Participation

Ask participants to provide examples from their own experience to illustrate the points covered throughout the training.

Conclusion

The objective of any Scout outing is to develop character, citizenship, and fitness. The Scout Oath and the Scout Law are valuable life principles that can contribute to safety in a Scout outing. Safety is an important part of Scouting and must be an essential part of all outdoor skills instruction. This training has outlined key points that will help you plan and conduct a safe Scout outing.

Each of the resources below has valuable information on safe Scouting, and you are encouraged to study each of them.

- [Guide to Safe Scouting](http://www.scouting.org/pubs/gss/toc.html) [[<http://www.scouting.org/pubs/gss/toc.html>]]
- [Wilderness First Aid](http://www.scoutingmagazine.org/issues/0203/a-wild.html) [[<http://www.scoutingmagazine.org/issues/0203/a-wild.html>]]
- [Fire Safety](http://www.scouting.org/nav/enter.jsp?s=xx&c=ds&terms=safety&x=17&y=13) [[<http://www.scouting.org/nav/enter.jsp?s=xx&c=ds&terms=safety&x=17&y=13>]]
- [Fire Safety and Leave No Trace](http://www.scouting.org/boyscouts/resources/21-117/035_minimize.html) [[http://www.scouting.org/boyscouts/resources/21-117/035_minimize.html]]
- [BSA Emergency Preparedness Plan, Kit, and Award](http://www.scouting.org/pubs/emergency/index.html) [[<http://www.scouting.org/pubs/emergency/index.html>]]
- [BSA Ready and Prepared Award](http://www.scouting.org/awards/10-278/index.html) [[<http://www.scouting.org/awards/10-278/index.html>]]
- [Safety Training in Scouting](http://www.scoutingmagazine.org/issues/9809/d-news.html) [[<http://www.scoutingmagazine.org/issues/9809/d-news.html>]]
- [Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat](http://www.scouting.org/pubs/aquatics/index2.html) [[<http://www.scouting.org/pubs/aquatics/index2.html>]]

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Our Pledge of Performance

1. We will use the Safe Swim Defense in any swimming activity, Safety Afloat in all craft activity on the water, and Climb On Safely for climbing activity.
2. We will use trucks only for transporting equipment—no passengers except in the cab. All passenger cars, station wagons, recreational vehicles, and cabs of trucks will have a seat belt for each passenger.
3. We agree to enforce reasonable travel speed (in accordance with national, state, and local laws) and use only vehicles that are in safe mechanical condition.
4. We will be certain that fires are attended at all times.
5. We will apply for a fire permit from local authorities in all areas where it is required.
6. We will at all times be a credit to the Boy Scouts of America and will not tolerate rowdyism or un-Scoutlike conduct, keeping a constant check on all members of our group.
7. We will maintain high standards of personal cleanliness and orderliness and will operate a clean and sanitary camp, leaving it in a better condition than we found it.
8. We will not litter or bury any trash, garbage, or tin cans. All rubbish that cannot be burned will be placed in a tote-litter bag and taken to the nearest recognized trash disposal or all the way home, if necessary.
9. We will not deface trees, restrooms, or other objects with initials or writing.
10. We will respect the property of others and will not trespass.
11. We will not cut standing trees or shrubs without specific permission from the landowner or manager.
12. We will collect only souvenirs that are gifts to us or that we purchase.
13. We will pay our own way and not expect concessions or entertainment from any individual or group.
14. We will provide every member of our party an opportunity to attend religious services on the Sabbath.
15. We will observe the courtesy to write thank-you notes to persons who assisted us on our trip.
16. We will, in case of backcountry expedition, read and abide by the Wilderness Use Policy of the BSA.
17. We will notify, in case of serious trouble, our local council service center, our parents, or other local contact.
18. If more than one vehicle is used to transport our group, we will establish Rendezvous points at the start of each day and not attempt to have drivers closely follow the group vehicle in front of them.

AGE-APPROPRIATE GUIDELINES FOR SCOUTING ACTIVITIES

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WEBELOS SCOUTS



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OLDER BOY SCOUTS, VARSITY SCOUTS, AND VENTURERS



OUTDOOR SKILLS

Camping—Day					
Camping—Family					
Camping—Resident					
Camporees			Visit Only		
Conservation Projects					
Cooking Outdoors					
Fire Building					
Fishing					
Fueled Devices					
Hiking—Day					
Hiking—Multiple Day					
Horseback Riding					
Hunting					Venturers Only
Map and Compass	Map Only				
Mountain Bike Day Rides					
Mountaineering/Scrambling/ Cross-Country Travel					
Orienteering					
Pioneering					
Rope Bridges (Check requirements for height restrictions.)					
Survival Training					
Winter Camping					



SPORTS

Field/Wide Games					
Flag Football					
Gymnastics					
Ice Hockey					
Ice Skating					
Martial Arts—Defensive					
Roller Blades/Skates					
Scooters—Nonmotorized					
Skateboarding					
Skiing/Snowboarding					
Sledding/Tubing					
Soccer					
Street Hockey					



TOOLS

Axes					
Bow Saws					
Hand Ax					
Hand Tools					
Pocketknife					
Power Tools					



TREKKING

Backpacking—Overnight, Backcountry					
Bike Treks—Day Ride					
Bike Treks—Multiple Overnights					
Horse Treks					
Search and Rescue Missions					
Search and Rescue Practice					
Ski Touring—Multiple Days and Nights Carrying Gear					

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VEHICLES

Driving Derbies

Motorized Off-Road Bikes

(ATVs are banned from program use and unit activities.)

Snowmobiles



AIRCRAFT

Commercial Flight Experience

Ground School

Hands-On Flying Experience

Orientation Flight



SHOOTING

.22 Rifle

Archery—Field

Archery—Target, Action (Moving targets)

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

BB Guns

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Catapults

Shotgun

Slingshots

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only



AQUATICS

Canoeing—Flat Water

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Canoeing—Flowing Water

Kayaking—Flat Water

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Kayaking—Flowing Water

Motorboating—Adult Operated

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Motorboating—Youth Operated

Rafting—Flat Water

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Rafting—Flowing Water

Rowing—Flat Water

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Rowing—Flowing Water

Sailboarding

Sailing—Adult Operated

Council/District Outdoor Programs Only

Sailing—Youth Operated

Discover Scuba Training

Scuba

Snorkeling (For swimmers only)

Surfing

Swimming

Tubing (Floating in an inner tube)

Waterskiing



CLIMBING

Belaying

Bouldering

Caving (Other than simple novice activities)

Climbing—Commercial or Horizontal Wall

Climbing—Rock

Climbing—Vertical Wall or Tower

Initiative Games

Lead Climbing

Project COPE

A Few Low-Course and High-Course Activities

Rappelling

Snow and Ice Climbing

PERMISSION SLIP

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I hereby give my permission for this child to participate in the following outing with Pack XXX:

Activity _____

Departure Date/Time _____ **Location** _____

Return Date/Time _____ **Location** _____

I confirm that my child meets the health and physical fitness requirements of this trip or activity.

MEDICAL RELEASE – In the event of illness or injury occurring to my child while involved in this trip or activity, I consent to X-ray examination, anesthesia, and/or medical or surgical diagnostic procedures or treatment considered necessary in the best judgment of the attending physician and performed by or under the supervision of a member of the medical staff of the hospital furnishing medical services. It is understood that in the event of a serious illness or injury, reasonable efforts to reach me will be attempted.

In case of emergency, I can be reached by phone at _____ or _____.

If I cannot be reached, please contact _____ at _____.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(parent or legal guardian)

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Signed: _____ Date: _____
(parent or legal guardian)

ACTIVITY SIGNUP SHEET

Outing: _____

Location: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____ -- _____

Cost: _____

	Family Name	# Children	Amount Paid
1			
2			
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TOUR PERMIT APPLICATION

FOR TRIPS AND CAMPS UNDER 500 MILES

Local permit No. _____ Date received _____ Date approved by council _____

A local tour permit is granted by the council for trips of less than 500 miles or travel to a council-owned camp. A National Tour Permit is granted by the region after approval of the council and is required for trips in excess of 500 miles one way or for any trips outside the United States of America. A council needs the application at least two weeks in advance of the activity for local permits. Councils may require additional time for special activities, and unit leaders completing this application should plan accordingly. Units are strongly encouraged to utilize MyScouting to file all permits electronically. Print or reproduce on legal- or ledger-size paper.

Unit title _____ Unit No. _____ Chartered organization: _____

Council name/number: _____ / _____ District: _____

Purpose of this trip is _____

From (city and state) _____ to _____

Mileage round trip _____ Dates _____ to _____ Total days _____

Is accident insurance in force for this unit? Yes No Company name and policy No. _____

Itinerary: It is required that the following information be provided for *each day* of the tour. (Note: Speed or excessive daily mileage increases the possibility of accidents.) Attach an additional page if more space is required. Include detailed information on campsites and routes and include maps for wilderness travel.

Date	Travel		Mileage	Overnight stopping place (Check if reservations are cleared.)	✓
	From	To			

Type of trip: Day trip Short-term camp (less than 72 hrs.)
 Long-term camp (longer than 72 hrs.) (Furnish copy of program and menus.) High-adventure activities

Leadership and Youth Protection Training: Boy Scouts of America policy requires at least two adult leaders on all camping trips and tours. Coed Venturing crews must have both male and female leadership. The adult leader in charge of this group must be at least 21 years old. All registered adults participating in any nationally conducted event or activity must have completed BSA Youth Protection Training. At least one registered adult who has completed BSA Youth Protection Training must be present at all other events and activities that require a tour permit. Effective for tours beginning January 1, 2009, Youth Protection Training will be valid for two years from the date completed.

1. The adult leader in charge of this group must be at least 21 years old.

Name _____ Age _____ Scouting position _____ Expiration date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Youth Protection Trained Yes No

As the tour leader, I certify that appropriate planning has been conducted, qualified and trained supervision is in place, permissions are secured, and I have read and have in my possession a copy of *Guide to Safe Scouting* and other appropriate resources. _____

Adult leader's signature

2. Assistant adult leader name(s) (minimum age 18 or 21 for Venturing crews)

Name _____ Age _____ Scouting position _____ Expiration date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Youth Protection Trained Yes No

Attach a list with additional names and information as outlined above.

Signed by member of unit committee

Signed by tour leader

Signatures must be from two different people.

RETAIN IN COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER

OFFICIAL LOCAL TOUR OR CAMP PERMIT BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

This permit should be in the possession of group leader at all times and displayed when requested by Scouting officials or other duly authorized people.

Permit issued to _____ No. _____ Town _____

Type of unit

Name of tour leader _____ Age _____ Address _____

Name of tour leader _____ Age _____ Address _____

Permit covers all travel between _____ and _____

Dates of trip from _____, 20____, to _____, 20____

Total youth _____ Total adults _____

This group has given the local council every assurance that they will conduct themselves according to the best standards of Scouting and observe all rules of health, safety, and sanitation as prescribed by the Boy Scouts of America and as stated in the Pledge of Performance on the reverse side of this permit.

Local Permit No. _____

Date Issued _____

Council Stamp

Not official unless council stamp appears here.

These spaces are for the signatures and comments of officials where the group camps or stays for one night or more. Signatures indicate that the cooperation and conduct of the Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturing group were satisfactory in every way.

Date	Place	Signature	Comment

Council name and address

Council phone no.

Signed for the council

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3. Party will consist of (number): ___ Cub Scouts ___ Boy Scouts ___ Varsity Scouts ___ Venturers—male ___ Venturers—female ___ Adults—male ___ Adults—female ___ Total	4. Party will travel by: <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Train <input type="checkbox"/> Plane <input type="checkbox"/> Canoe <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Boat <input type="checkbox"/> Foot <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle
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If traveling by other methods, please specify. _____

Party will travel with another unit/crew that has a male or female (circle one) leader. This leader will be responsible for the Venturer(s) of my crew.

Advisor _____ Other crew's no. _____ Council _____

Tour involves: Swimming Boating Climbing Orientation flights (attach Flying Permit, No. 19-672, required)
 Wilderness or backcountry (must carry Wilderness Use Policy and follow principles of Leave No Trace Camping)

Activity Standards: Where swimming or boating is included in the program, Safe Swim Defense and/or Safety Afloat standards are to be followed. If climbing/rappelling is included, then Climb On Safely must be followed. At least one person must be trained in CPR from any recognized agency for Safety Afloat and Climb On Safely. At least one adult on a pack overnighiter must have completed Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO). Effective for tours on January 1, 2009, at least one adult must have completed Planning and Preparing for Hazardous Weather training.

Name	Age	Safe Swim Defense expiration (two years from date taken)	Safety Afloat expiration (two years from date taken)	Climb On Safely date taken
Name	Age	CPR Training	Agency	Expiration Date
Name	Age	Date BALOO Training Completed	Planning and Preparing for Hazardous Weather Training valid until (two years from date completed)	Youth Protection expiration (two years from date taken)
Name	Age	NRA Instructor and/or RSO		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rifle <input type="checkbox"/> Shotgun <input type="checkbox"/> Pistol <input type="checkbox"/> Range Safety Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Muzzle-loading rifle <input type="checkbox"/> Muzzle-loading shotgun		

INSURANCE

All vehicles MUST be covered by a liability and property damage insurance policy. The amount of this coverage must meet or exceed the insurance requirement of the state in which the vehicle is licensed and comply with or exceed the requirements of the country of destination for travel outside the United States. (It is recommended, however, that coverage limits are at least \$50,000/\$100,000/\$50,000 or \$100,000 combined single limit.) Any vehicle designed to carry 10 or more passengers is required to have limits of \$100,000/\$500,000/\$100,000 or \$500,000 combined single limit. In the case of rented vehicles the requirement of coverage limits can be met by combining the limits of personal coverage carried by the driver with coverage carried by the owner of the rented vehicle.

KIND, YEAR, AND MAKE OF VEHICLE	NUMBER OF PASSENGERS	OWNER'S NAME	DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER	WILL EVERYONE WEAR A SEATBELT?	LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE		
					Each Person	Each Accident	PROPERTY DAMAGE
					\$	\$	\$

The local council may allow a list of the above information to be attached to the permit in order to expedite the process. Each unit may circle the names of the drivers for an event or an activity.



TRANSPORTATION GUIDELINES

- You will enforce reasonable travel speed in accordance with state and local laws in all motor vehicles.
- If by motor vehicle:
 - Driver Qualifications:** All drivers must have a valid driver's license and be at least 18 years of age. **Youth Member Exception:** When traveling to an area, regional, or national Boy Scout activity or any Venturing event under the leadership of an adult (21+) tour leader, a youth member at least 16 years of age may be a driver, subject to the following conditions: (1) Six months' driving experience as a licensed driver (time on a learner's permit or equivalent is not to be counted); (2) no record of accidents or moving violations; (3) parental permission has been granted to leader, driver, and riders.
 - If the vehicle to be used is designed to carry more than 15 people (including driver) the driver must have a commercial driver's license (CDL).

Name: _____

C.D.L. expiration date _____

- Driving time is limited to a maximum of 10 hours and must be interrupted by frequent rest, food, and recreation stops.
- Seat belts are provided, and must be used, by all passengers and driver. Exception: A school or commercial bus, when not required by law.
- Passengers will ride only in the cab if trucks are used.

OUR PLEDGE OF PERFORMANCE

- We will use the Safe Swim Defense in any swimming activity, Safety Afloat in all craft activity on the water, and Climb On Safely for climbing activity.
- We will use trucks only for transporting equipment—no passengers except in the cab. All passenger cars, station wagons, recreational vehicles, and cabs of trucks will have a seat belt for each passenger.
- We agree to enforce reasonable travel speed (in accordance with national, state, and local laws) and use only vehicles that are in safe mechanical condition.
- We will be certain that fires are attended at all times.
- We will apply for a fire permit from local authorities in all areas where it is required.
- We will at all times be a credit to the Boy Scouts of America and will not tolerate rowdiness or un-Scoutlike conduct, keeping a constant check on all members of our group.
- We will maintain high standards of personal cleanliness and orderliness and will operate a clean and sanitary camp, leaving it in a better condition than we found it.
- We will not litter or bury any trash, garbage, or tin cans. All rubbish that cannot be burned will be placed in a tote-litter bag and taken to the nearest recognized trash disposal or all the way home, if necessary.
- We will not deface trees, restrooms, or other objects with initials or writing.
- We will respect the property of others and will not trespass.
- We will not cut standing trees or shrubs without specific permission from the landowner or manager.
- We will collect only souvenirs that are gifts to us or that we purchase.
- We will pay our own way and not expect concessions or entertainment from any individual or group.
- We will provide every member of our party an opportunity to attend religious services on the Sabbath.
- We will observe the courtesy to write thank-you notes to persons who assisted us on our trip.
- We will, in case of backcountry expedition, read and abide by the Wilderness Use Policy of the BSA.
- We will notify, in case of serious trouble, our local council service center, our parents, or other local contact.
- If more than one vehicle is used to transport our group, we will establish rendezvous points at the start of each day and not attempt to have drivers closely follow the group vehicle in front of them.