

Troop 22 Whitman



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Campout Guidelines

- All participants must complete a yearly Parental Permission slip.
- Scout Leaders will carry copies of Permission Slips to all outside activities in the event that Medical or Contact information is required. It is the Parents responsibility to provide the Scout Leaders with a contact number if the information on the Permission slip is not accurate during any troop event.
- All personal belongings should be marked with the Scout's name. Scouts should have their Boy Scout Handbook on each campout. It should be protected with a plastic bag or waterproof container. The Troop number should be added for items taken to summer camp.
- All Scouts and Scouters will adhere to the "Outdoor Code" and the "Leave No Trace" guidelines.
- Personal snacks are not permitted at any Troop function.
- Gambling for cash or possessions is not permitted at any Troop function.

Travel Guidelines

- All occupants shall properly wear seat belts. No Scout will ride on the outside of any motor vehicle. This restriction includes hanging or riding on bumpers, in trailers, in the beds of pickups, the back deck of a station wagon, etc.
- The Troop will travel to and from events as a unit. Each Scout is expected to help load and unload gear. Travel is done in uniform unless notified otherwise. Any exceptions to traveling with the unit must be arranged with the Scoutmaster.
- Scouts who need to arrive late or depart early from an event must notify their Patrol Leader and the Scoutmaster no later than the Troop meeting prior to the event.
- Radios, music players, cell phones, and video games, and other portable electronic amusements may be used while traveling, provided they do not disturb others. Any and all such devices will be locked in the vehicles upon arrival at the campsite or activity area until time to travel again.
- Any Scout who drives a vehicle to a Troop event or campout must be at least 16 years of age, possess a valid driver's license, and have his parent's or guardian's written permission. This permission will be turned in to the Scoutmaster prior to completion of the tour permit. The scout will do so only in accordance with the provisions of the tour permit for the event. Upon reaching the destination, the Scout will park his car and leave it parked until it is time to return. He will not transport any other Scout to or from the event.

Safety Guidelines

- Fireworks or pyrotechnics are forbidden.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted at any Troop event.
- Before a scout may use a knife, axe, or saw, he must earn the BSA Tote-n-Chit. Saws and axes will only be used in the defined wood yard. Any improper use of a knife, axe, or saw will result in the Scout losing his Tot'n Chip and confiscation of the tool(s).
- Folding knives are allowed only when the scout has completed his Tot'n Chip. Other types of knives must be approved by the Scoutmaster.
- Bare feet are allowed only in waterfront areas or when swimming. Sandal type shoes are allowed for aquatic activities. At no time are open-toe shoes to be worn in the wood yard. Proper footwear is necessary.
- On backpacking trips, liquid fuel stoves designed for backpacking may be used. Extra fuel must be carried in containers designed for transporting these fuels in the backpacking environment.
- Excessive or continued discipline problems such as fighting, bullying, cursing, name calling, unruly behavior, excessive arguments or non-cooperation, etc, is strictly prohibited at Scouting events.

Patrol Guidelines

- Each Patrol will develop a menu and duty roster, have them approved prior to the campout, and have them posted during the campout. Each Patrol will maintain its own supply of paper products, soap, food items, trash bags, etc.
- The Patrol Leader will be responsible for coordinating with the Troop Quartermaster to make sure that his Patrol has adequate tentage and Troop-furnished equipment for each camping trip. This should be done on the Troop meeting prior to the day of departure.
- Scouts who have told their Patrol Leader they are planning to go on the camping trip must pay their share of the food costs even if they do not attend, unless the patrol "Grubmaster" is notified prior to purchasing the supplies for the camping trip.
- Scouts are not allowed in other Patrol sites or adult areas except when permission is obtained, or to see the Scoutmaster in an emergency.
- The Patrol Leader will be responsible for assigning to different Scouts any equipment that needs to be carried home for cleaning or drying. All cooking equipment must be thoroughly cleaned before being returned to the Quartermaster. All Patrol equipment must be maintained in proper condition. The Patrol Leader will keep a written list of equipment assignments and turn a copy in to the Quartermaster whenever he requests it.
- If any damage or loss occurs to Troop equipment, the Quartermaster must be notified immediately. If the damage was due to negligence or abuse, the Scout or Scouter will be expected to replace such equipment or pay for repairs.
- All high adventure participants must attend the shakedown (practice hikes or events) to participate in some activities.