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I. New Leaders Essentials

This is the initial training for all adult leaders serving youth in the Boy Scouts of America. Through a series of lively presentations, this 90 minute training presents an overview of the core elements of Scouting and includes the following:

- What are the goals I'm trying to accomplish?
- How do youth grow and develop?
- Where do I fit in?
- Who pays for Scouting?
- How do I keep Scouting Safe?
- Your bridge into Scouting

This course is required before Leader Specific Training.

II. Troop Committee Challenge

Boy Scout Troop Committee challenge training has been developed to help troop committee members better understand their roles and responsibilities. Through hands-on experiential learning, this training will also enable troop committee members to better deliver the promise in support of the troop, Scoutmaster, and Scouts. This training is most effective if the whole committee can attend training together. This fast-paced three-hour session will serve as a vital tool for new and veteran committee members to help build the committee team. Committee members, Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters are all encouraged to attend. To be fully trained as a committee member you will need to complete

- New Leaders Essentials training
- Troop Committee Challenge Training

(It is recommended that you attend the Scoutmaster/ Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and the Introduction to the Outdoor Leader Skills to keep fully in tune to the troops functions.)

III. Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training

Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training will focus on the essentials of being a good Scoutmaster. This course will give you the confidence and skills needed to ensure your immediate success in being an effective Scout Leader. This is usually presented in an all day Saturday format.

IV. Introduction to Outdoor Leaders Skills

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training will give you the hands on practical outdoor skills needed to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. This is done as a weekend campout format. As a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster to be Basic Trained you will need to complete:

- New Leaders Essentials
- Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- Introduction to Outdoor Skills

(It is recommended that you attend Troop Committee Challenge Training with your troop committee.)

V. Youth Protection

As a major youth-serving organization, the Boy Scouts of America has a responsibility to help protect the youth of our nation. The BSA is exemplary among youth-serving agencies in recognizing the potential threat that child abuse poses to young people and has adopted a comprehensive set of policies and procedures designed to ensure that Scouting continues to be safe for all participants. **BSA Youth Protection Training** is now **required** for at least one adult present during any event or activity needed a local or national tour permit.

Because of the great concern the Boy Scouts of America has concerning child abuse in our society, Youth Protection Training has been developed to safeguard both youth and adult members in the scouting program. This training teaches professionals and volunteers what resources are available to educate scouts about child abuse, how to avoid it, how to identify abuse, and how to deal with it. Also discussed are the proper reactions and reporting procedures to be used if abuse occurs, and the importance of "Two-Deep Leadership" to protect both the scouts and you. This is a delicate subject, but one that must be addressed.

VI. Wood Badge

Wood Badge is Scouting's premier training course. Baden-Powell designed it so that Scouters could learn, in as practical a way possible, the skills and methods of Scouting. It is first and foremost, learning by doing. The members of the course are formed into patrols and these into a troop. The entire troop lives in the out-of-doors for a week, camping, cooking their own meals, and practicing Scout skills. Wood Badge is the embodiment of Scouting spirit. Like many intense training experiences, it has always relied on a busy schedule forcing the participants to work together, to organize and to develop an enthusiasm and team spirit to accomplish the tasks and challenges placed before them.

VII. Guide to Safe Scouting

The purpose of the Guide to Safe Scouting is to prepare adult leaders to conduct Scouting activities in a safe and prudent manner. The policies and guidelines have been established because of the real need to protect members from known hazards that have been identified through 90-plus years of experience. Limitations on certain activities should not be viewed as stumbling blocks; rather, policies and guidelines are best described as stepping-stones toward safe and enjoyable adventures.

Unit leaders should be aware of state or local government regulations that supersede Boy Scouts of America policies and guidelines.

In situations not specifically covered in this guide, activity planners should evaluate the risk or potential risk of harm, and respond with action plans based on common sense, community standards, the Boy Scout motto, and safety policies and practices commonly prescribed for the activity by experienced providers and practitioners.