

# Troop 250 Code of Conduct

Troop 250 has a large number of active Scouts who are good, solid boys, and we intend to maintain the high standards that we ascribe to under the Scout Oath and Law. It is important that Scouts show respect to adult and youth leaders, as well as each other. Although we have very few problems and do not anticipate any, we feel that certain guidelines should be written and accepted to avoid any misunderstandings.

These rules apply when a Scout is under our responsibility - that is anytime that he is with the Troop, either at the weekly meetings or on a camping trip or other Troop-sponsored activity.

The following actions WILL NOT be tolerated:

- ✓ Possession or use of any illegal drugs or alcoholic beverages
- ✓ Possession or use of firearms
- ✓ Possession or use of fireworks
- ✓ Smoking or any tobacco use
- ✓ Reckless or dangerous behavior that could cause harm to yourself or others
- ✓ Disruptive or defiant behavior towards leaders, youth leaders or other Scouts
- ✓ Profanity or vulgar / inappropriate discussions
- ✓ Stealing or damaging property that is not yours
- ✓ Any form of hazing
- ✓ Verbal or physical harassment or malicious behavior directed toward another Scout
- ✓ Physical abuse such as punching, kicking, or slapping another Scout

Participating in the above will result in disciplinary action that could include suspension or expulsion from the Troop. Such suspension or expulsion, as well as the terms of reinstatement of a suspended Scout, will be determined by the Scoutmaster with the concurrence of the Troop Committee.

A Scout is "Trustworthy" and we expect this first point of the law and all others to be taken seriously. A Scout will become a responsible young man and later a respected adult if he lives by the Scout Oath and Law.

## **Agreement:**

All Scouts and Adult Leaders are representatives of their community, family and local Scouting Council. Therefore, all Scouts and their parents are asked to sign this *Code of Conduct* as a condition for membership and participation, with the further understanding, that serious misconduct or infraction of behavior rules may result in expulsion from any activity or meeting. We want each Scout to be responsible for their own behavior, and only when necessary will the procedure be invoked to send a Scout home. By signing this, you agree to abide by the conditions listed above and to live by the Scout Law.

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Scout Signature

Parent Signature

Date