

Boy Scouts of America

TROOP 1776
Hampden, Maine

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Welcome to Boy Scout Troop 1776!

Scouting means participating in outdoor activities like canoeing, hiking, and camping while maturing into responsible adulthood, practicing good citizenship, and being of service to others. But most importantly, Scouting is FUN! We hope you will find the following information helpful in understanding Troop 1776's policies.

All Scouts are expected to wear the proper uniform, attend meetings regularly, participate in outdoor events, advance in rank, assist in fundraising activities, and abide by the rules and regulations of BSA and Troop 1776. It is important that each Scout has a parent or guardian who serves on the Troop Committee, as Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster, or helps the Troop on special assignments.

Scouting is like everything else in life; you only get out of it what you put into it. If you have any questions or need help, please do not hesitate to call me, or any of the other leaders or committee members.

Yours in Scouting,

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Boy Scouts of America was incorporated to provide a program for community organizations that offers effective character, citizenship, and personal fitness training for youth.

Specifically, the BSA endeavors to develop American citizens who are physically, mentally, and emotionally fit; have a high degree of self-reliance as evidenced in such qualities as initiative, courage, and resourcefulness; have personal values based on religious concepts; have the desire and skills to help others; understand the principles of the American social, economic, and governmental systems; are knowledgeable about and take pride in their American heritage and understand our nation's role in the world; have a keen respect for the basic rights of all people; and are prepared to participate in and give leadership to American society.

AIMS OF SCOUTING

Character Development
Citizenship Training
Personal Fitness

RULES OF SCOUTING

Scout Oath
Scout Law
Scout Motto
Scout Slogan
Outdoor Code

METHODS OF SCOUTING

Scouting Ideals
Patrols
Advancement
Outdoor Programs
Leadership Development
Personal Growth
Association with Adults
Uniform

INFORMATION ABOUT TROOP 1776

Meeting Place: VFW Post #4633, Canoe Club Road, Hampden, Maine
Time: Every Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 (*1st Tuesday of the month PLC location TBA*)
Troop committee meetings: 2nd Tuesday, during Troop meeting
Sponsoring Organization: Whitcomb-Baker VFW Post #4633
Scoutmaster: Curt Slininger / SCTMSTR1776@YAHOO.COM / 862-2153 (H)

Dues: Decided at August Troop Planning meeting.

JOINING REQUIREMENTS

Boy Scouting, one of the traditional membership divisions of the BSA, is available to boys who have earned the Arrow of Light Award as a Webelos Scout, or have completed the fifth grade, or who are 11 through 17 years old. The program achieves the BSA's objectives of developing character, citizenship, and personal fitness qualities among youth by focusing on a vigorous program of outdoor activities.

Scoutmaster's Conference:

Each boy wishing to join the Troop will participate in a conference with the Scoutmaster. At least one parent or guardian must attend this conference.

Application Form:

A *JOIN BOY SCOUTS* application form must be filled out and signed by the boy and a parent/guardian.

New Scout Registration Fee: \$11 plus dues

Transferring Scout or Webelos Crossover Fee: \$1 plus prorated dues (covered by Troop if crossing over from Hampden Pack 41)

Commitment: Each boy must promise to abide by the "Rules of Scouting" and the policies of the Troop.

MEETING RULES

Uniform: Class "A" (See section on wearing of the Scout uniform) must be worn at all meetings, unless the Scoutmaster has authorized Class "B" (Scout T-shirt).

TROOP 1776 GOALS AND GUIDELINES

- The Troop must be fun for the boys and the adults.
- The Troop must support the Aims of Scouting - to develop character, citizenship, and fitness in boys.

- The Troop must have a well-planned, varied program that is successful, continuous and progressive.
- The Troop must emphasize advancement. At a minimum, each boy should strive to advance one rank per year. New Scouts will be encouraged to progress to the rank of FIRST CLASS by the end of one full year with the Troop. Parental involvement and support is important.
- The Troop requires an active committee that meets once a month to coordinate, plan, develop and fund the Troop program.
- The amount of fundraising time required will be determined each year. All fundraising activities by Scouts must be supervised by a parent. If an adult accompanies a Scout and is not that Scout's parent, another Scout or adult must be present.
- Each Scout must have a current Health History and a Waiver of Responsibility on file before he can participate in any Troop activity. This important information is taken to all Troop functions. An additional health form is used for summer camps. In most cases, a physical examination by a doctor is required every three years. The Class II Health Form is the most often used. For high adventure camps or events, the Scout must use a Class III Health Form.
- The Troop stresses SAFETY FIRST! Safety will be emphasized by the wearing of seat belts, correct use of knife and axe, care around fire and grease, and during all activities involving water. NO AEROSOL CANS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED.
- The Troop is open to all eligible boys of the community as long as they agree to abide by the "Rules of Scouting."
- The Troop must have DISCIPLINE. Any boy who refuses to conform to the established standards will be removed from the Troop/Scouting. A Scout may also be placed on probation and be unable to earn credit for advancement.
- The Troop will encourage and support the religious principles of Scouting and will encourage the Scouts to earn the religious award of their faith.
- The Troop will support District and Council programs and activities.
- The Troop will emphasize service to the community and the chartered organization.
- The Troop will have an active outdoor program. At least one outdoor activity will be planned each month and a week long camp each year.
- The Troop will strive to obtain and maintain the "Quality Unit" designation.

- The Troop requires that all Scouts be in proper uniform at Troop functions.
- The Troop requires that each Scout be supported by at least one parent serving on the committee or on special assignments or as Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster. If a Scout sees his parents taking an active interest in Scouting, it sends the message that Scouting is important and worthwhile. To be successful in scouting your son needs encouragement. Parents must become familiar with the program. Please sit down and read the book together; review and practice the skills. Parents are invited and encouraged to participate in all Troop activities.
- The Troop requires that registered adult leaders be BSA trained, set a strong moral example, establish reasonable standards, enforce these standards, and be consistent. All committee members will view the Fast Start Tape, and all Assistant Scoutmasters will attend the Boy Scout Leader Basic Training Course. At least two adult leaders on any outing must have completed the Leader Basic Training Course.

Online training is available to all registered adult leaders at:

<http://www.katahdinareabsa.org/training.html>

FINANCING THE PROGRAM

Several groups are responsible for supporting Boy Scouting: the boy and his parents, the troop, the chartered organization, and the community. Boys are encouraged to earn money whenever possible to pay their own expenses, and they also contribute dues to their troop treasuries to pay for budgeted items. Troops obtain additional income by working on approved money-earning projects. The community, including parents, supports Scouting through the United Way, Friends of Scouting campaigns, bequests, and special contributions to the BSA local council. This income provides leadership training, outdoor programs, council service centers and other facilities, and professional service for units.

The committee will sponsor fundraisers to purchase equipment and supplies, and provide an opportunity for the boys to earn credits which can be used to pay for Troop 1776 camping activity fees, summer camp fees, or Scouting equipment. Credits earned by the boys are not transferable if the boy leaves Scouting or transfers to another unit. All fundraising activities must be approved by the Troop Committee. The amount of credit that can be earned by a Scout from any fundraiser will be determined by the Troop Committee. At no time will any Scout receive cash (distributing cash as a benefit of fundraisers may negate the Troop's status as a non-

profit group). All proceeds from Troop 1776's fundraisers remain in the Troop checking account.

TROOP 1776 EQUIPMENT LIST

Listed below are items that each Scout will need. Most of these items are available at the Council Center Store, 90 Kelly Road, Orono, Maine. Check the website for store hours and more information.

http://www.katahdinareabsa.org/council_service_center.html

Access BSA's online catalog at <http://www.scoutstuff.org/>

Boy Scout Handbook

Uniform :

1. Scout Cap – BSA or Troop hat when available
2. Scout Shirt – long or short sleeved
3. Unit Numerals "1776" centered on left sleeve with top just below and touching council patch, available for purchase at Council store in Orono
4. KAC Council Strip worn on left sleeve center touching shoulder seam
5. Patrol Patch - worn on right sleeve 2" below should seam
6. Badge of Office - worn centered and touching Troop Numerals. It is worn only by a person currently holding that office
7. Red Shoulder Loops
8. Neckerchief –
9. Neckerchief Slide - purchase or make your own.
10. Scout Pants - long pants or shorts, no sweat/athletic type pants.
11. Web Belt with Boy Scout Buckle or leather scout belt and buckle.
12. Class B t-shirt – any Boy Scout related t-shirt
14. Socks - solid olive green with long pants, Scout socks with shorts
15. Boots - a pair of hiking or foul-weather boots is desirable.

Equipment :

1. Rain Gear - rain suit, raincoat, or poncho. Go for quality!
2. Mess Kit (cup, bowl, and spoon) and Knife, Fork, and Spoon Set.
3. Flashlight with extra batteries
4. Individual First Aid Kit - a homemade one is fine.
5. Canteen or Water Bottle - a 1-liter plastic soda bottle is fine.
6. Sleeping Bag and Sleeping Pad
7. Backpack

8. Compass
9. Whistle
10. Scout Knife (Scouts must have earned the "Totin' Chit" to carry a knife.)

Please ensure that all clothing and equipment is labeled. Include full name and Troop 1776.

WEARING OF THE SCOUT UNIFORM

The Scout uniform for all activities is the Class "A" uniform, as defined in the Scout Handbook, pages 566 and 567, unless the Scoutmaster has authorized Class "B" (Scout T-shirt, pants or shorts). The exceptions recognized by Troop 1776 are the wearing of jeans or solid, dark colored pants and a brown or black leather belt instead of the green web belt. The only individuals authorized to make exceptions from this policy are the Scoutmaster or the leader in charge of the event. Troop 1776 asks that you wear your complete uniform proudly and correctly at all Scouting events:

- At patrol and troop meetings, hikes, camps, and rallies;
- When you appear before a Board of Review or a Court of Honor;
- When you take part in Scout Service Projects in your community.
- The correct uniform is required for Boards of Review, Courts of Honor, Advancements, and travel on Troop outings. Wearing of the Scout uniform builds team spirit, and wearing of the Troop 1776 neckerchief demonstrates **PRIDE IN YOUR TROOP.**

The support of all leaders and parents to enforce this policy is requested.

TROOP 1776 OUTDOOR ACTIVITY POLICY

Each Scout must have a completed Health History form on file with the Troop. A copy of the form will be carried on each outdoor activity.

A signed Parent Permission form is required, and will be carried on, each outdoor event.

Fees for each event must be paid in advance. Normally, all expected costs are included in the set fee, which will be indicated on the Event Information form.

Dues must be current for a Scout to participate in an outdoor activity.

Scouts are expected to work as a patrol to prepare their food.

Possession of portable pagers and cellular phones by scouts is not allowed unless a parent requests that a scout bring a cellular phone. With the permission of the Scoutmaster or the adult in charge of the outing, the phone may be brought and kept in a leader's vehicle during the event.

No radios, CD-players, TV's, tape players, or electronic games are allowed. They may be used during a ride to an outing. If used at a Scouting activity, the adult leader in charge may confiscate them. The item will be returned to the parent at the conclusion of the event.

The Class "A" uniform must be worn while traveling to and from each outing. Clothing suitable for the outing while in camp (e.g., Class "B" uniform) will be determined by the Scoutmaster or adult leader in charge, and this information will be provided to the Scouts prior to the outing.

The Scout must attend the planning meeting(s) prior to participating in an outdoor event.

The buddy system will be used at all times.

Scouts are not allowed to leave the Troop Camp Area without the permission of a leader.

Fires, or flames of any type, are not allowed in tents.

Hazing of any type will not be permitted.

Vandalism will not be tolerated. Respect for other people's property is imperative! Scouts will be responsible for any damages to Troop equipment or to equipment of other Scouts caused by neglect or carelessness on their part. This includes damage caused by improper storage or maintenance.

The use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will not be tolerated by anyone on Troop events. Smoking by Scouts is prohibited.

TROOP 1776 CAMPING GEAR CLEANING POLICY

Scouts and adults of Troop 1776 are expected to assist in cleaning equipment following Troop outings. Those who use Troop equipment are expected to clean and return it to the Troop. Since most of the equipment is cleaned as it is used, the amount of equipment sent home for care is minimal. When equipment is sent home for cleaning after an outing, Troop 1776 asks that the equipment be returned clean and in good repair at the next Troop meeting.

Our Troop Quartermaster will notify Scouts when they miss the next Troop meeting return date. If return is not made within one month of the reminder, the Scout will be asked to purchase an identical replacement item or pay the purchase price to the Troop. The Scout will not be allowed to participate in any camping or advancement activities until all delinquent equipment is returned or payment made. Fund raising credits earned by the Scout will be reduced by the amount of unpaid financial liability. In the event that the Scout has left the Troop or Scouting, the family will be held liable for any missing or damaged equipment.

Camping and Outing Fees

The cost for Troop outings will vary, depending on the event. Generally, these outings will cost \$15 - \$25 per Scout. For your planning purposes, \$15 per outing is normal. The table below provides an explanation of typical expenses. If a Scout signs up for an outing and then must withdraw for whatever reason after funds have been committed, he is still responsible for his share of food expenses since perishable food cannot be saved from one event to the next. He would also be responsible for his share of other non-refundable costs, such as bus transportation. Camping fees may be paid by check, payable to Troop 1776.

Typical camping fees are estimated as follows:

\$5 - \$10 event registration, transportation and/or camping fees.

\$10 - \$15 food and supplies for average of 5 meals.

\$15 - \$25 Total

TROOP 1776 POLICY FOR INDIVIDUAL SCOUT FUND RAISING ACCOUNTS

Scouts participating in Troop 1776 fundraising activities are sometimes credited with a share of the proceeds. The Troop Committee will decide when and to what extent these proceeds will be credited to individual participants. Those credits are placed into individual accounts for each Scout. No cash payments will be made to Scouts from fundraising activities.

Account credits may be used only for the following purposes:

- Payment of Troop 1776 dues;
- Payment of Scouting activity fees (e.g., Summer Camp, weekend camping trips);

- Scouting specific personal equipment purchased from BSA.
- When a Scout does not re-charter with Troop 1776, any account balance will be transferred to the Troop 1776 general fund. The only exemption from this transfer to the Troop 1776 general fund is when a sibling remains in good standing with Troop 1776 at the regular re-chartering time. In that case, the fund balance from the departing Scout may be transferred to the account of the sibling.

RESPECT FOR RELIGION WITHIN TROOP 1776

No impediments shall be placed in the way of a Scout's (or Scouter's) observance of his or her religious beliefs. We will actively foster religious observance. When feasible during weekend Troop trips, opportunities shall be made available for a Scout's attendance at a church service of his choosing. Otherwise, there will be a reasonable plan to conduct a non-denominational Scout religious service on Sunday morning or on Saturday evening. A Scout Grace before the evening meal during Troop activities is expected. We will support the Religious Emblems program.

NOTE: Any parent who wishes their son to attend a religious service of their particular faith which differs from troop plans must make arrangements to transport the Scout to and from the service.

TRANSPORTATION MISCONDUCT

Vehicle transportation to and from events is a privilege and not a right. The BSA does not require that Scouts be transported to and from events, and Scouts may be denied transportation if they violate the rules set forth by the Troop or contracted transportation service. Inappropriate behavior in the vehicles or bus is considered serious misconduct. Infractions are handled at the function level. A scout's vehicle riding privilege may be suspended for a period of time or the remainder of the year. Parents are notified if there is a vehicle infraction and of the disciplinary action taken.

PROHIBITED OBJECTS/MATERIAL

Scouts sometimes find they have brought something from home in their pocket or bag that they didn't mean to bring which might be against the Troop policy. Scouts who find themselves in possession of an item that is in violation of the rules should

immediately turn in the object or material to the adult leader responsible for the event. This action may minimize or eliminate any disciplinary consequences.

GEAR/PERSONAL PROPERTY SEARCHES

Property may be searched if there is reason to believe it contains prohibited, illegal or dangerous material. BSA Troop 1776 reserves the right to search property that has been brought by Scouts for their use. Any such search will require the presence of two registered adult leaders.

INTERNET POLICY

The Internet may be used in our functions to enhance learning and to provide Scouts resources. If the Internet will be used as part of a Troop activity, Troop 1776 will make every effort to prevent Scouts from being exposed to objectionable or offensive materials. The adult leaders will do their best to guide and monitor Scout use of the Internet but cannot be held liable if a Scout accidentally or willfully goes to an objectionable site.

TOUR PERMITS AND TRANSPORTATION

We need parents to assist with transportation of gear, supplies and Scouts to most events. Troops are required by BSA to file a Tour Permit for all outings. This permit requires insurance coverage for all vehicles. Drivers must be over 18 years of age. It will save us valuable time and effort if we have the necessary insurance information on record. If you are willing to assist with transportation, please take the time to complete the necessary information on the attached form for all vehicles you might drive. The form should be returned at the next Troop meeting. Thank you for any assistance you can provide.

ADDITIONAL BITS AND PIECES

ORGANIZATION

Choose a location in your home where your Scout can post information from Troop 1776. Scouts receive a calendar with important activities listed. They also receive occasional handouts. Ask your son for this information. Scouts need to have a special place to put all Scouting awards, badges, rank cards, merit badge cards, or

special patches earned. These individual records are extremely important when the Scout reaches the rank of Eagle.

COURT OF HONOR

A Court of Honor is held every 3 - 4 months or as needed. At the Court of Honor, a Scout is recognized for his accomplishments and advancement in rank. Information on past and upcoming events are discussed. As the Scout advances in rank, the mother receives a miniature rank pin that is presented to her by her son. Mother's ribbons are available for purchase at the Council Center in Orono and may be worn to all Scout functions. (Father will receive pin if mother is not present)

Eagle Courts of Honor are scheduled as needed. They are planned by the new Eagle Scout's parents, with suggestions and guidance from the Troop Committee. Books are available from BSA to help parents plan a Court of Honor for their son.

SCOUTMASTER CONFERENCE

All Scouts must have a Scoutmaster conference – the final requirement before advancing in rank -- before scheduling a Board of Review. The Scout should have in mind a personal growth, goal, or a good turn to discuss with the Scoutmaster. Scouts are required to be in a complete Class A uniform.

BOARD OF REVIEW

After completing all requirements and a Scoutmaster conference, a Scout must attend a Board of Review in order to advance in rank. The Scout contacts the Advancement Chairperson after a successful Scoutmaster conference. The Advancement Chairperson will schedule a Board of Review as soon as possible. The Board of Review consists of at least three Troop Committee Members, chartered organization members or community members. The Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters do not sit on the Board.

A Board of Review usually takes 15 to 30 minutes. Higher ranks may take longer. The Scout will be questioned regarding the requirements of the rank he is seeking. He may be asked where he learned his skills and from whom, and the value he gained from each requirement. He may be asked to teach or demonstrate a skill to the Board. The review is not an examination or retesting of skills; it is a final check to determine that the Scout has met the requirements to advance. The Board will also attempt to determine how the Scout feels about his participation in Troop 1776 and Scouting in general. A discussion of the Scout's future goals and the requirements for the next rank will also be discussed.

The decision by the Board must be unanimous. The Scout will be asked to leave the room during the determination. The Board will then either congratulate him on completion of rank requirements, or will extend the Board of Review to allow the Scout to complete any necessary requirements. The Board will provide the Scout

and his parents a written explanation within one week, detailing which requirements were not met and how the Scout can meet these requirements.

When the Scout passes, each Board member will initial the Scout Handbook on the appropriate page and record the date of review. The Scout must then inform the Advancement Chairperson that he passed. The Advancement Chairperson will then document it in the Scout's handbook and in the Troop's official records, insuring prompt recognition of the advancement in rank.

Troop 1776 does not hold Board of Reviews for the rank of Eagle. These are done at the Council level. Upon achieving the rank of Life, the Scout should obtain a "Life to Eagle Packet" at the Council Center in Orono. This contains all necessary information regarding advancement to Eagle rank. The adult leaders of Troop 1776 are committed to helping each Scout achieve this prestigious rank.

SCOUT HANDBOOKS

Names should be written on the Progress Toward Ranks pages in the handbook. Books are brought to every Scout meeting or activity unless otherwise stated. It is suggested that books be stored in Ziploc bags for camping activities. The books are bound together poorly and deserve special attention, as they become the boy's personal record or achievement.

TROOP 1776 LEADERSHIP

Leadership positions change about every 6 months. Scouts may be elected or appointed to office and may hold an office more than once. Scouts are encouraged to take Junior Leadership Training if they hold a leadership position or are 1st Class. Training will be provided at scheduled times and may require an overnight campout.

If a Patrol Leader cannot attend an activity or Troop meeting, he must contact his Senior Patrol Leader and his Assistant Patrol Leader. Patrol Leaders are responsible for duty rosters at all camping events. The Troop will operate using the Patrol Method as described in the Scout Handbook.

MERIT BADGES

Scouts may work on merit badges at any rank. After achieving the rank of 1st Class, boys earn merit badges as part of their advancement. A Scout must receive permission from the Scoutmaster and find a Merit Badge Counselor before he begins a merit badge. Scouts may not meet alone with a Counselor. Parents usually do not counsel their own son. If a counselor for a specific merit badge cannot be found within the Troop, a District Merit Badge Counselor may be consulted. The Council Center can provide a list of merit badge counselors.

Please consider volunteering in this area. Counselor applications are available from the Scoutmaster, Committee Chairperson and Council Center.

VENTURE PROGRAM

Venturing is a youth development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20 years of age. Venturing's purpose is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

Venturing is based on a unique and dynamic relationship between youth, adult leaders, and organizations in their communities. Local community organizations establish a Venturing crew by matching their people and program resources to the interests of young people in the community. The result is a program of exciting and meaningful activities that helps youth pursue their special interests, grow, develop leadership skills, and become good citizens. Learn more at <http://www.scouting.org/factsheets/02-388.html>

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Purpose of the Order of the Arrow

- To recognize those campers -- Scouts and Scouters -- who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives, and by such recognition cause other campers to conduct themselves in such manner as to warrant recognition.
- To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit.
- To promote Scout camping, which reaches its greatest effectiveness as a part of the unit's camping program, both year-round and in the summer camp, as directed by the camping committee of the council.
- To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

Mission of the Lodge

The mission of the lodge is to achieve the purpose of the Order of the Arrow as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America in the council through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

For more information go to:

http://www.katahdinareabsa.org/order_of_the_arrow.htm

TROOP 1776 POLICY

Scout and Parent Agreement

The agreement form is required for all Scouts. It must be signed and on file with the Troop Committee for the Scout to participate in Troop functions.

Active Member

A Scout who is registered, has current dues, lives by the Scout Oath and Scout Law, and attends 50% of the Troop's meetings and activities is considered an Active Member. This is a requirement for ALL rank advancements.

Transferring out of the Troop

If a Scout has paid his yearly dues in full and transfers to another Troop he may receive a refund. All refunded dues will be sent directly to the new Troop. Transfer applications may be obtained from the Advancement Chairperson or Committee Chairperson of either Troop. Scout identification numbers are located on their membership cards and the Troop's rechartering membership list.

TROOP 1776 DISCIPLINARY AND/OR CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

** Please read and discuss with your Scout. **

Troop 1776 requires Scouts to abide by the "Rules of Scouting." Those who refuse to conform to the standards will be subject to disciplinary and/or corrective actions. As leaders, parents, and Scouts, we're all responsible for ensuring adherence to these rules. Problems left unchecked may result in the removal of a Scout from the Troop. The guidelines on how the Troop will deal with minor, moderate, and severe disciplinary problems are described below:

Minor Problems include, but are not limited to, the use of foul language, not following leaders' instructions, and not fulfilling leadership responsibilities. Minor problems will be addressed immediately by the Scoutmaster or his designee, who will then determine the extent of the corrective action (usually a counseling session) and whether or not the parents should be notified of the incident.

Moderate Problems include, but are not limited to, fighting, theft and lying. Moderate problems will be corrected immediately by the Scoutmaster or his designee. Correction will include one or more of the following: counseling session, removal from the Troop activity, removal from leadership position, notification of the parent to remove the Scout from event. These acts committed by Scouts while under the jurisdiction of the Troop may result in suspension and other conditions as approved by the Troop committee. It is mandatory that the parents and the committee be notified of the problem upon return from the event.

Severe Problems include, but are not limited to, unsafe acts or consistent disruption of Troop activities (i.e., playing with fire, inappropriate use of a knife or axe, refusing to obey an adult leader's instructions). Severe problems require immediate dismissal from the outing. Parent notification is mandatory. Upon return from the outing, the Scoutmaster, committee members, and parent(s) of the Scout(s) involved will meet at the earliest possible time. The parent(s) and

Scoutmaster will be asked for their input on corrective action. The Committee will determine what corrective action(s) are appropriate.

Troop 1776 Scout and Parent Agreement

SCOUT: *As a member of Troop 1776, I agree to live by the Scout Oath and the Scout Law. I will follow all BSA and Troop rules and regulations and strive to be a role model for other Scouts.*

Scout Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PARENT(S): *We have read Troop 1776's Information and Policy packet and discussed it with our son. I/We understand that each Scout must have the active support of a parent or guardian. I/we agree to serve as a Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster, as a Troop Committee member, or will help with special assignments as needed. I/We agree to attend training specific to these positions.*

Please check how you prefer to support your Scout and Troop 1776.

____ Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster
____ Committee Member
____ Special Assignments as needed

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____ Committee Member
____ Special Assignments as needed

Parent/Guardian

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Vehicle Information (for Tour Permits if you transport Scouts during an activity):

License # and state issued _____

Vehicle Make, Model and Year _____

Number of passengers (seatbelts) _____

Owner's Name _____

Insurance Public Liability Coverage:

Pubic Liability Each Person \$ _____

Public Liability Each Accident \$ _____

Property Damage \$ _____

*Please return signed forms to the Scoutmaster or Committee Chairperson at the next Troop Meeting.
Thank you.*