



March 9, 2022



Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Roundtable

The Distinguished Conservation Service Award, and
Council Conservation Committees

Youth, please turn off your cameras. Thank you!

Agenda



- Welcome and opening (7:00pm Central)
- Safety moment – Campout planning
- BSA Conservation Video
- Council Conservation Committee Toolbox
- Distinguished Conservation Service Award Applicant Information and Workbook
- Distinguished Conservation Service Award Adviser Training
- Announcements
- Q&A
- Adjourn (8:30 Central)

Pledge

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
to do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.



Scout Law

A Scout is:
Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful,
Friendly, Courteous, Kind,
Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty,
Brave, Clean, Reverent.



Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best to –
Be clean in my outdoor manners.
Be careful with fire.
Be considerate in the outdoors.
Be conservation minded.



We Need Your Feedback, Please!

<https://tinyurl.com/OECCRT>

SCAN ME



Please introduce yourself!



Type your name and your council's name into the chat window.

A person wearing a red long-sleeved shirt is sitting on a large, light-colored rock. The background is a blurred natural setting with green foliage and a body of water. The text is overlaid on the image.

Campout Planning Safety Moment

When you decide on a camping trip, you need to consider who, what, where, when, how, and why.

Here are a few items to check off on your Campout Safety Checklist:

- Documentation Needed**—This includes medical records, guidebooks, and permission slips. A Scout leader can ensure your safety as well as his or her own when you are both better informed of any limitations, hazards, or permissions.
- Training**—General training, such as Youth Protection training, CPR/first aid, and Hazardous Weather, or specific training, such as Trek Safely or Wilderness First Aid, gives you the confidence to know what to do in the event of an emergency.
- Planning**—Planning is important. Become familiar with your campsite location and do some research about the weather, licensing/permit requirements, and project or activity guidelines so you can be prepared.
- Equipment**—Plan for vehicles involved or tools necessary for your camping experience. Also consider trailer requirements and first-aid or emergency kits.
- Emergency Planning**—A prepared Scout is a confident Scout. Keep a cellphone handy as well as a list of local authorities (fire department, police, hospitals, etc.) in case an emergency occurs, such as inclement weather or a lost Scout. If you are in the backcountry, canyons, or a remote location, coverage may be one to two hours away. A GPS tracking/messaging device is helpful in these locations.
- Program**—Know your program. There should be age-appropriate activities, safety equipment, proper supervision, and a discussion on potential hazards.

Campout Safety Checklist

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/campout_checklist.pdf

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Campout Safety Checklist

Campout Description: _____

Campout Dates: _____ Campout Location: _____

Unit Single Point of Contact (not a participant in the campout)

Name: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

The following checklist provides guidance on safety issues that you may encounter at a Scouting campout. Along with the *Guide to Safe Scouting*, this tool will help you in having conversations with both Scouts and adult leaders on identifying risks that need to be mitigated or eliminated.

Documentation Needed

General (common for nearly all outings)

- [Guide to Safe Scouting](#)
- [Permission slips](#)
- [Medical records](#)
- Maps of campsite
- Maps to and from campsite
- Other _____

Specialized (less common)

- Float plan
- [Flying Plan Checklist](#)

Training

General (needed for nearly all programs)

- Youth Protection Training
- Hazardous weather
- First aid/CPR
- Drivers/[Risk Zone](#)
- Safe Swim Defense
- Safety Afloat
- BALOO

Program or Activity Specific
(Boy Scouts and Venturers)

- [Wilderness First Aid](#)
- [Climb On Safely](#)
- Trek Safely
- NRA instructor
- Range safety officer
- Other _____

Planning (Has the following been confirmed?)

- Weather conditions
- Route conditions
- Drivers licensed
- Drivers insured
- [BSA swim check](#)
- [Service project guidelines](#)
- Other _____

Equipment (If the following equipment will be used, is it in good order/inspected?)

- Trailer
- [Personal vehicles](#)
- First aid kit
- Fire extinguisher
- Tools
- Road emergency kit
- Other _____

Emergency Planning (Are plans in place for the following?)

- Local police/fire/EMS
- Local hospital
- Lightning
- Severe weather
- Lost Scout
- Active shooter
- Other _____

Program (Have the following program areas been addressed?)

- [Age-appropriate activities](#)
- Adult supervision
- Safety equipment
- [Hazards identified and discussed](#)
- Other _____

Don't be a "Camp O No"

There are so many ways to enjoy the adventure, fun, discovery, and teamwork involved in campout planning. A campout safety checklist will help to ensure these aspects of camping are accomplished while keeping you safe.





BSA Conservation

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Announcements

2022 National Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Conference

Where Education Meets Adventure!

November 10-13

Bert Adams Scout Camp,
Covington, Georgia

Check <http://outdoorethics-bsa.org>
for updates!



2022 National Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Conference

Call for Proposals

All Scouters who have innovative ideas, programs, or practices to share are encouraged to submit a session on that topic to be presented at the conference.

<http://outdoorethics-bsa.org/Conference2022/CallForProposals.php>



The Dan Howells Memorial Fund



The Dan Howells Memorial Fund was established to honor the memory of this passionate leader and his lifelong commitment to Leave No Trace and Scouting.

The fund provides partial scholarships to Scouting volunteers who could not otherwise afford to attend one of our BSA Leave No Trace Master Educator Courses.

Make a tax-deductible donation to the scholarship fund at <https://Int.org/give/other-ways-to-give/dan-howells-memorial-fund/>

NEW: Apply for a scholarship at <http://outdoorethics-bsa.org/DanHowellsMemorialFund.php>



Upcoming Master Educator Courses



- March 18-20, April 7-10 – Illowa Council, IL
 - <https://illowabsa.org/leave-no-trace-trainer-course>
- April 29-May 1, May 12-15 – Baltimore Area Council, MD
 - <http://www.baltimorebsa.org/leave-no-trace/50513>
- May 17-22 – Grand Canyon Council, AZ
 - <https://scoutingevent.com/010-Intmastercourse>
- August 14-20 – Northern Tier, MN
 - <https://www.ntier.org/training/>
- October 7-12 – Philmont, NM
 - <https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/philmonttreks/secondseasonprograms/leavenotrace/>

Check outdoorethics-bsa.org for updates!

Need help?



If you're looking for help with Outdoor Ethics or Conservation in your Council and don't know who to go to, the Program Operations team is here to help!

Send an email to programops@outdoorethics-bsa.org to let us know which council you're in and how we can help you. We'll be happy to connect you with someone who can help you.

Reflection



Pines Above the Snow

“Hard years, of course, come to pines as they do to men, and these are recorded as shorter thrusts, i.e. shorter spaces between the successive whorls of branches.”

Excerpt from “Pines Above the Snow” in *A Sand County Almanac* by Aldo Leopold



Questions?

Please share your feedback on this roundtable at
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Next month's roundtable topic:

OE Games for Summer and Day Camps