

Boy Scout Troop 82 Behavior Guidelines

Each Boy Scout rank advancement includes a "Scout Spirit" requirement that reads "demonstrate Scout spirit by living the Scout Oath and Law in your everyday life." As one very important measure of the fulfillment of this requirement, the scouts of Troop 82 are expected to live by the Scout Oath and Law in their relationships, both with other scouts and with adult leaders, during all scouting activities.

Occasionally, a scout may not live up to the broad code of expectations represented by the Scout Oath and Law. Violations of the Scout Oath and Law will bring consequences for both the scout and, at times, for his patrol. Rank advancement is not possible without demonstrating acceptance of these guidelines. Therefore, the Patrol Leaders' Council and the Troop Committee of Boy Scout Troop 82 have compiled the following examples of violations of the conduct code, as well as an outline of the disciplinary actions that would follow.

Minor Infractions (examples)

- Disrespectful behavior towards any person
- Repeated use of profanity or harassing language
- Failure to obey youth or adult leaders
- Abuse of a Junior Leadership position
- Unsafe use of equipment such as a knife, axe or flammables.
- Refusal to properly wear the Scout uniform

Action:

Minor infractions will result in a warning from a youth or adult leader and the behavior will be reported to the Scoutmaster. The second time that the above steps must be taken, the scouts parents are notified and the scout is sent home. A troop committee conference will then be set up with both the boy and his parents.

Major Infractions (examples)

- Fighting or physical harassment
- Destruction of property
- Theft
- Use of Tobacco
- Use of drugs or alcohol (see addendum)

Action:

Parents are notified, the scout is sent home and he is suspended from the troop. A troop committee conference is then required for the boy and his parents to determine his future status in the troop and any additional disciplinary or remediation measures.

It is hoped that all Scouts will meet the expectations for behavior contained within the Scout Oath and Law and that the disciplinary actions outlined above will not be required. We have read the conduct code above and agree to abide by it.

Parent's signature _____ Date _____

Scout's signature _____ Date. _____

Drug and Alcohol Addendum to Troop 82 Behavior Guidelines

The Following is the course of action for any occurrence by a Troop 82 Scout involving the possession, use, attempted sale, or sale of any illegal drugs or alcohol at any troop activity.

1. The Scout will be removed from Troop 82 membership for a minimum of 6 months of active troop program¹ beginning the first of the month following the occurrence.
2. The boy must receive counseling.
3. After that time and with the written consent of his parents and his family counselor stating that they can assure us that the behavior which led to his dismissal is not likely to repeat itself, the boy may make application to again become a Boy Scout with Troop 82.
4. The application will be reviewed by the troop committee .
5. The troop committee will talk with the applicant and his parents .
6. Upon a favorable response by the troop committee, the boy must agree to the following conditions:
 - a. He will apologize publicly to the entire troop for the actions which led to his removal from the troop.
 - b. He will be on probation with restrictions for 6 months of active troop program following the acceptance of his application back into Troop 82.
7. The restrictions during probation are :
 - a. Attendance limited to troop meetings only.
 - b. No camps.
 - c. No leadership position .
 - d. No rank advancement during that time. (However, work toward advancement is encouraged.)
 - e. Any further violation of the Troop 82 Behavior Guidelines which would lead to disciplinary action will bring automatic and permanent dismissal from Troop 82.
8. Upon successful completion of the probation, these restrictions will cease.

¹ Active troop program time does not include June and August