

## Tour Plans

The national office of the Boy Scouts of America has rolled out a new form to be completed for unit trips and tours. The new form replaces the old Local and National tour permits.

The national and Seneca Waterways Council guidelines for when to complete a tour plan are:

- Trips of 500 miles or more
- Trips outside of council borders not to a council-owned property
- Trips to any national high-adventure base, national Scout jamboree, National Order of the Arrow Conference, or regionally sponsored event
- When conducting the following activities outside of council or district events:
  - Aquatics activities (swimming, boating, floating, scuba, etc.)
  - Climbing and rappelling
  - Orientation flights (process flying plan)
  - Shooting sports
  - Any activities involving motorized vehicles as part of the program (snowmobiles, boating, etc.)

Regardless, the tour plan is an excellent tool that should be included in preparation for all activities, even those not requiring it. It guides a tour leader through itineraries, travel arrangement, two-deep leadership, qualifications of supervision, and transportation.

The new tour plan form is available on the council website, [www.senecawaterways.org](http://www.senecawaterways.org). Tour plans should be submitted to Dorothy Bressler at the Rochester Service Center. Dorothy can be reached at 585-241-8554 or [Dorothy.bressler@senecawaterways.org](mailto:Dorothy.bressler@senecawaterways.org)