



Youth Protection Begins With You™

Youth Protection is best achieved through the shared involvement of everyone in Scouting.

Scouting's Commitment to Youth Protection

- Educate Scouting professionals, volunteers, parents, and youth members to aid in the detection and prevention of child abuse.
- Strengthen chartered organizations' leader selection procedures to prevent offenders from entering BSA leadership ranks.
- Strengthen policies that create barriers to child abuse within the program.
- Encourage Scouts to report improper behavior in order to identify offenders quickly.
- Swiftly remove and report alleged offenders.

Scouting's Barriers to Abuse

Two-deep leadership required on all outings.

**One-on-one contact between adults and
Scouts prohibited.**

**Separate accommodations for adults and
Scouts required.**

Privacy of youth respected.

**Inappropriate use of cameras, imaging,
or digital devices prohibited.**

No secret organizations.

No hazing.

No bullying.

Youth leadership monitored by adult leaders.

Appropriate attire for all activities.

**Members are responsible to act according
to the Scout Oath and Scout Law.**

**Units are responsible to enforce
Youth Protection policies.**

For more information
about Youth Protection, visit
<http://www.scouting.org/youthprotection.aspx>.



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