



# Troop 642

## Code of Conduct

In order to provide a positive, safe, and enriching environment for all scouts, while offering opportunities for wonderful adventures, the following rules have been established by the Troop Boy and Adult leadership. Scouts are expected to conduct themselves according to the Scout Law and Oath, and the specific rules of the Troop.

Scouts in Troop 642 are expected to:

1. Follow the posted or verbal schedule of activities and assignments specified by the Troop leadership.
2. Be on time for all Troop events.
3. Follow Totin' Chip rules and regulations for use of knives, axes and saws, and Firem'n Chit rules and regulations for lighting fires and carrying lighters or matches.
4. Follow the Buddy Rule at all events and meetings.
5. At all times, comply with the Outdoor Code (Boy Scout Handbook) and follow the Leave No Trace (Boy Scout Handbook) guidelines of scouting.
6. Refrain from behavior that disrupts scouting events, such as bullying (including joking about hurting others, and bullying online in any way), picking on other scouts, talking during presentations, wandering, etc.
7. When camping, have lights out, be in bed, and be quiet by 11:00 p.m. or as stated by your SPL. No visitors will be allowed in other scouts' tents after quiet time until wake-up time. Sounds that can be heard outside a scout's tent after lights out are disrespectful and disturbing to others.
8. Not use electronics, battery powered games, cell phones include texting, iPods, mp3, or DVD players at scout events or meetings. Such devices may be used in vehicles while traveling, but only with the consent of the driver. Cell phone calls/texting may only be used in the event of an emergency.
9. Stay together with other scouts at Troop meetings and campouts.
10. Treat all scouts, adults and visitors with respect. Older scouts should act as role models and treat younger scouts with respect.
11. Treat all property and equipment belonging to the Troop, a camp, Hollow Hills Elementary, Simi Valley Elks Lodge, Simi Valley United Methodist Church, or any other person or group with care.

Behaviors and actions that seriously endanger the physical and emotional safety and well-being of scouts, or seriously affect the reputation of the Troop are unacceptable, will not be permitted or tolerated, and may result in major disciplinary action being taken. Such unacceptable behaviors and actions include, but are not limited to: hazing or any other form of physical or mental abuse towards another scout; stealing; use of profanity or abusive language; tobacco, drug or alcohol use; and deliberate damage to property.

This Code of Conduct will be enforced by the Boy Leadership, Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters, other parents, and, in some cases, camp staff. Possible consequences include:

- A Scout or ASM will ask the Scout involved in the offending behavior to stop.
- Scout may be asked with the ASM/SM's approval to leave the activity area for some time to discuss behavior and Scout Oath and Law.
- The SPL with the ASM/SM's approval may ban the scout from the rest of the activity.
- A meeting with SM may be scheduled to discuss behavior and other consequences.
- Parents may be called to pick up a boy from a meeting or an event regardless of the distance involved.
- Other disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by Troop 642 leadership or local Boy Scout Council when applicable.

I have read and understand this Code of Conduct:

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Scout's Name (print)

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Scout Signature

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Date

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Parent's Signature

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Date