



Order of the Arrow Code of Conduct

The success of our lodge and the enjoyment of the weekend depend on the conduct of every participant.

Youth Protection: All Youth Protection (YPT) guidelines are always in effect. All members over 18 MUST be current in YPT training and MUST be registered in one of the Boy Scouts of America programs (Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts, Cub Scouts, or Exploring) PRIOR to arrival.

Uniforms: A full Scout uniform is required for ALL Brotherhood and Ordeal Candidates at the following times:

- Friday Night: Arrival to Taps
- Saturday: Evening snack to Taps, including Brotherhood Hike, Ceremonies
- Sunday: Reveille to departure

A full Scout uniform is the **Class A** uniform consisting of the Scout uniform shirt, Scout pants or Scout shorts (with Scout socks), Scout belt, and OA sash. A Scout uniform does NOT include Scout T-shirts, non-Scout shorts, jeans, non-Scout hats, etc. Scout hats may be worn but are not permitted in the Dining Hall.

Facilities: ALL members must stay in one of the specified sites. No personal sites will be permitted.

Smoking: BSA policy does not permit smoking or vaping in buildings or the vicinity of youth; tobacco or vaping is only permitted in designated areas. Members under 21 are prohibited from smoking or vaping.

Leaving Camp: After signing in, everyone must remain in camp until Sunday's departure. If you must leave camp, it must be for a reasonable purpose (religious services, purchase supplies, etc.).

If you do intend to leave camp during the weekend, the following policies apply:

- Youth under 18: Must have a note signed by a parent or guardian with permission to leave camp. The note must state the reason for leaving camp. While away from camp, must be accompanied by at least one other youth under 18, one adult over 18, and one adult over 21.
- Adults 18 to 21: Must be accompanied by one adult over 21.
- EVERYONE (all youth and all adults) who leaves camp MUST sign out at Registration or with the Lodge Administration before leaving. When signing out, you must record the purpose of the trip, your destination, time of expected return, and the names of the people in your party. No one is permitted to leave camp after the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony on Friday night or after the Banquet on Saturday night unless cleared with the Lodge Adviser.

Alcohol & Drugs: Alcohol (beer, wine, liquor, etc.) and illegal drugs are not permitted at any time.

Cabin Cleanup: No one may leave on Sunday until the camp master or lodge adviser inspects their site, lean-to, or cabin.

Candidates: Members should support the candidates and refrain from tempting them in their Ordeal. Hazing or bullying in any fashion is not permitted.

Crews: The Elangomat/Crew system is integral to the success of the Ordeal. At no time should a crew be broken up for any work project. Please respect the crew's oath of silence throughout the day on Saturday.

By signing this, I accept and affirm the Code of Conduct.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature (if under 18): _____ Date: _____