

HIKE / OUTING

Planning Guide

- Parents notified of hiking/outing route?
- Committee approval of hiking/outing route?
- Adequate transportation to and from hiking/outing area?
- All drivers meet minimum age limits (18 years of age) as shown on BSA Tour Plan?
- All vehicles MUST be covered by a minimum insurance policy of \$50,000 Liability Each Person, \$100,000 Liability Each Accident and \$ 50,000 Property Damage.
- Adequate menu for hike/outing, providing balanced diet for everyone?
- All participants shall meet the units/group personal equipment list requirements.
- All participants shall meet any and all requirements for the Award, for the hike/outing.
- Tour Plan requested and received?
- California Campfire Permit issued by the U.S. Forest Service obtained to build a campfire or light a camp stove (If Allowed) anywhere on National Forest Land and Bureau of Land Management Land.
- Outing Leader knows where closest Ranger Station is: _____
Phone Number is: _____
Hospital or Emergency Center is: _____
- Outing Leader knows who to contact for help (a) Sheriff's Dept. (b) Highway Patrol
(c) Mountain Rescue (d) Other: _____
- Itinerary written out so one can be given to:
Someone at unit level at home
Ranger
Filed with award application if required
- Any and all special permits requested for and obtained prior to taking the hike/outing. (i.e., Wilderness, National Park, National Monument, etc.).
- Adequate group First Aid Kit for hike/outing.
- Have plans for advancement on hike/outing been established and included in hike/outing plan.
- Type of hike/outing: rain; snow; sunny desert; mountain; beach; etc. are your prepared for these?

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- Adequate Group equipment for this hike/outing?
- Are we within the maximum group size (as stated on Wilderness Permit) for the area the hike/outing is in?
- Do we have two 21 year or older adults' minimum for the group - (Recommended one adult for each 10 youths - minimum 2 adults per group)?
- Youth co-ed program exists in Venturing Program only - Not in the "SCOUT" program. Adequate Female Advisors for hike/outing?
- Roster with name, address, phone number of each youth and adult going on trips and with whom to notify in case of emergency.
- Does each youth and adult participant have an Emergency Medical Release form signed by his parents or guardian - One on his person and one in his personal First Aid Kit in his pack?
- Does unit have Emergency Medical Release forms for each youth and adult participant in the unit / group first aid kit?
- Outing Leader or some other adult on trip has s a Standard First Aid Card.
- Outing Leader or other adult on trip has completed a BSA approved Basic Backpack Awareness Course.
- Any special equipment needed for this hike/outing - i.e., snowshoes, climbing rope, ice ax, etc.
- No one on hike/outing is carrying or has firearms or alcoholic beverages in his or her possession unless specifically required for their profession or required for medical reasons.
- All pets left at home except Seeing Eye and hearing impairment dogs.
- All participants are familiar and checked out on the usage of the unit/group backpacking stove. - whatever the type may be?
- All participants of the hiking/outing group are current registered members of the BSA or GSA programs.
- All participants of the hiking/outing group have individual identification on them.
- All adult participants of the hiking/outing group are familiar with the Council Emergency Notification Form.
- Recommended all participants of the hiking/outing group have had a medical exam Maximum 4 months prior to the long-term hike.