Health and Safety Training and Resources

"Guide to Safe Scouting"

Always use this as a reference before planning safe activities for your group. Includes "age-specific" guidelines, current policies and procedures, and required training levels for youth and adults. Download the .pdf or .doc at:

http://www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety.aspx
BSA National updates this at least annually.

Hazardous Weather Training

Effective January 1, 2009, Hazardous Weather training is mandatory for at least one adult on each trip or tour.

The on-line course includes training, testing, and additional resources on weather conditions that may be encountered during BSA activities, including lightning, flash floods, tornadoes, hot and cold weather, hail, and hurricanes. Participants who complete the course earn a Weather Smart Certificate of Completion (info. required for Tour Permit).

The Hazardous Weather course content is appropriate for Boy Scouts and Venturers as well as all adult leaders.

To access all online classes: http://scouting.org Select "MyScouting" tab. Create your user account and log-in. Select "E-Learning" tab. Select course tab. Take course. Print certificate.

Anyone may create a user account and view the courses anytime. Registered members of the BSA may provide their member numbers (as part of their user profile) to receive credit. Completion certificates or list should be sent to your Pack or Troop Trainer and me at: bgrdfox@bellsouth.net to insure local credit is posted. (Web-site is national in scope)

Don't forget to "PRINT" your certificate and notify your Unit and District Trainer. Keep a copy in your "Travel Book" with medical forms & Tour Permits.

Use and submit only the new Tour Permit form (dated 2008 rev.) as of January 2, 2009. http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34426.pdf

You can now submit Tour Permits Online using your MyScouting portal.

Health and Safety Forms

Motor Vehicle check lists, Tour Permits, Activity Consent forms and more http://www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/GSS/gssax.aspx

Health and Safety

The Boy Scouts of America has nearly a century of experience conducting high-adventure outdoor activities in a manner that is safe for all participants. The following resources and information are provided to enable adult leaders and youth to help us maintain our impeccable safety record. BSA National Resource 'Scouting Safely' portal lists information links, guidelines, updates, new training modules, Health & Safety Alerts, managing risk, additional resources, newsletters, 'RiskZone', Guide to Safe Scouting, Medical Forms, permits, awards, and more.

http://www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety.aspx

On-line Supplemental Training Modules from National BSA

Supplemental training modules are designed to provide orientation beyond the basic training offered in New Leader Essentials and leader-specific training. Each module is a unit of training that can be used as an outline for a group, for personal coaching, or for self-study. Most of the outlines should require about an hour to complete. Consider each unit of study to be an introduction to the subject. Scouters are welcome to download subjects that are of interest for personal or unit use. There are no training credits associated with the completion of these units of study. Additional training units are being developed and will be continually added to these sites.

Cub Scout Leaders, Go to: http://www.scouting.org/CubScouts/resources.aspx

General Den & Pack Resources, parent information letters, meetings & program planning, conducting activities, advancement and awards, Leader training overviews, Den Leader kits & games, and much more.

Boy Scouts Youth and Leaders, Go to: http://www.scouting.org/BoyScouts/TrainingModules.aspx

Venture Adults and Youth Leaders, Go to: http://www.scouting.org/Venturing/Training.aspx

How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide

A tear-out booklet bound in with all BSA youth books. It is designed for parents or guardians and young people to use together for youth protection training.

It Happened to Me / A Mi Me Pasó (No. AV-09DVD11)

This video should be used annually by Cub Scout packs or dens when Cub Scouts are accompanied by a parent or other adult family member. (English and Spanish facilitator's guides, and a sample letter to parents and guardians, are available)

A Time to Tell / Hora de Contarlo (No. AV-09DVD04)

Introduces the "three R's" of Youth Protection and should be viewed by troops annually. (English and Spanish facilitator's guides are available). Intended for Boy Scouts ages 11 to 18.

Venturing Leader Youth Protection Training - AV-03DVD14 [DVD]

Topics covered include the BSA's Youth Protection policies, kinds of abuse, signs of abuse, how to respond to disclosure of abuse, and proper reporting procedures.

Personal Safety Awareness / Concientización Sobre la Seguridad Personal (No. AV-09DVD27)

A sample letter to parents and guardians as well as English and Spanish meeting guides for facilitators' use when showing the age-appropriate sexual abuse prevention video. Intended for older Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts ages 14 to 21.

To offer you the most local opportunities to get the Training you need

Some Districts share trainers or combine teams to offer joint courses in many nearby areas.

Be Prepared = Register EARLY to secure your space!

Scheduled courses are subject to date/time change and/or cancellation due to minimum advance registrations, or may have "wait-lists" when maximum number is reached

All instructors are dedicated, experienced Scout Volunteers

For all scheduled sessions – follow the link or instructions provided for that specific class and date Many require advance registration and fee payment

Go to listed contact for more information, including pre-registration and other requirements

You must sign up as the District requires, and confirm attendance, date/time, cost and location details

American Red Cross CPR for both youth and adults

Please contact Wayne Miller wayne@donate.net for additional Scout CPR Saturday information. The Atlanta Area Council has invested in 100 new CPR Manikins and 30 new Child manikins to create Scout CPR Saturday. Our Goals is to train thousands of participants through several CPR Saturday Trainings. Please tell your family, friends and co-workers to signup. We will be teaching Adult CPR and AED skills and we will be teaching an add-on Child CPR/AED segment. It's time to check your CPR Certification for 2008!

Why? For adults, it is required for BSA tour permits and summer camp adult leadership. Please check your unit's certification. Why? For Scouts, this course will help satisfy the requirement to demonstrate CPR knowledge for the water, First Aid, personal and outdoor skills merit badges. Save time at summer camp by getting CPR Certified now. Why? On July 1, 2007, Woodruff Scout Reservation recorded a CPR Save due in part to three Adult Leaders that had CPR/AED training. Train all your adults and youth before you need it!

CPR Saturday

Registration is open for CPR Saturday, March 7, 2009 - at the AAC Volunteer Service Center. Anyone can attend, even the Girl Scout sisters, grandparents, everyone! Cost is \$25 per person for adult CPR/AED skills or \$35 for training for both Adult and Child skills (includes manuals, skill cards and supplies). Register at www.goodturn.net.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer to teach, contact Wayne Miller at 404-874-7421 ext. 202 or email wayne@donate.net.

Learn CPR with AED by attending **CPR Saturday March 7th 2009**. Certification in Child CPR is also available. To sign up go to www.goodturn.net and follow the directions to register.

BB / Archery or CPR Certification

An all day session designed to teach basic safety guidelines for BB and Archery range officers for District and/or Council shooting sports events. NOTE: Shooting sports are NOT permitted as den or Pack activities. Advanced registration is required.

Saturday, May 2, 2009 = Certification Saturday at BASR (BB, Archery, or CPR) offered by AAC, www.atlantabsa.org or 770-989-8821 Saturday, Sept. 12, 2009 = Certification Saturday at BASR (BB, Archery, or CPR) offered by AAC, www.atlantabsa.org or 770-989-8821

Safe Swim / Safety Afloat / Lifeguard / Aquatics

Safe Swim / Safety Afloat (SSD/SA): This certification training is required for your Pack, Troop or Crew to participate in ANY aquatics activity.

Safe Swim Defense is a plan for conducting swimming activities in a safe manner.

Safety Afloat has been developed to promote boating and boating safety and to set standards for safe unit activity afloat.

Renewal certification is available at: http://olc.scouting.org

Check out the class schedule, and register on-line for Aquatics and other safety certification classes at: http://www.campallatoona.org/index.html

Safe Swim Defense/Safety Afloat (SSD/SA), Lifeguard, Water sports merit badges and more available at Allatoona Aquatics Base.

Aquatics:

March 28, 2009: Learn to Swim (age 11 & up) Atlanta pool - advance registration to http://www.campallatoona.org/index.html
October 31, 2009: Learn to Swim (age 11 & up) Atlanta pool - advance registration to http://www.campallatoona.org/index.html
May 16, 2009: Pre-camp swim check for Troops Register in advance to http://www.campallatoona.org/index.html
June 6, 2009: Pre-camp swim check for Troops Register in advance to http://www.campallatoona.org/index.html

Lifeguard:

Saturday May 9 & May 22 – May 25, 2009 (attend both weekends): BSA & Red Cross Lifeguard Certification at BASR (\$190.00+ advance registration to http://www.campallatoona.org/index.html

American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Basic (WFAB)

Planning a trip to the backcountry where a 911 call cannot get through, or where rescue may be hours away? Going to Philmont, Northern Tier, or Sea Base? Hiking the Appalachian Trail with your Troop or Crew? You might find yourself in a situation requiring not only first aid, but also care until evacuation or rescue. Take your standard first aid skills to a higher level. The Atlanta Area Council Health & Safety Committee will sponsor several American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Basic (WFAB) courses at Bert Adams. Beginning with the 2008 hiking season - Philmont requires that a least one person, preferably two, (either an advisor or a youth participant) in each crew be currently certified in American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid or the equivalent* and CPR from the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross or the equivalent. The American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Basic (WFAB) is a sixteen-hour course designed to help in situations when help is not readily available. Register well in advance = course fills quickly

April 24 – 26, 2009: offered at BASR by Atlanta Area Council www.atlantabsa.org or 770-989-8821. Contact: wild1staid@bellsouth.net Register and payment before 3/30/09.

Basic Wilderness First Aid - SOLO Course

Are you going to be part of a high adventure Philmont, Northern Tier or Sea Base crew? Are you a weekend hiker on the Appalachian Trail or in the Cohutta Wilderness? Are you ever out of cell phone range and unable to "Call 911" when you are with your troop or crew? If so, you need to know more than what is taught in standard first aid classes designed for places where "Call 911" brings emergency assistance. How good are your first aid skills? Come to the Camp Allatoona Aquatics Base in Woodstock for Basic Wilderness First Aid Training. A well trained Scout, Venturer or Scouter with the first aid skills taught at this course will be an asset to any high adventure trek, venture crew or troop. The course is open to scouts and Venturers 14 or older, male and female, and to adult Scouters.

More information, Course dates and nation-wide locations for the 2008-2009 season listed on their web-sites.

SOLO http://www.soloschools.com/

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BSA - Atlanta Area Council – CAAB (Allatoona Aquatics Base)

Wilderness Medical Associates http://www.wildmed.com/ check their web sites.

1/24--1/25/09 GA Tech, Atlanta, GA

Climbing Instructor Training Not for Cub Scouts

Weekend sessions will be held **Friday through Sunday** at the Woodruff Scout Reservation. Utilizing the cutting-edge climbing and rappelling facilities we will run from 7:00 p.m. Friday to 4:00 p.m. Sunday and virtually exhaust the topic! Saturday will be spent doing some off-site climbing! Participants must be at least 18 years of age and most meals shall be provided. CPR and 1st Aid are required prior to receiving climbing instructor cards. Graduates of this training will be able to supervise unit climbing activities. Program Cost is \$60.00 and includes training materials. Pre-registration is required. Questions can be directed to the Council Program Center @ 770-989-8820, or to Climbing Chairman, David Lawrence at signund@bellsouth.net Cost is \$60.00, requires advanced registration to AAC. To register go to www.atlantabsa.org and visit the **Camping** webpage then select the **COPE/Climbing/Caving Programs** link. You may also register by selecting the calendar and choosing the event date you plan on attending.

May 15 – 17, 2009: At Woodruff Scout Reservation October 16 – 18, 2009: At Woodruff Scout Reservation

Note: In 2009 COPE/Climbing programs will expand from Woodruff SR and also use our new COPE Course and Bouldering Wall at Bert Adams SR. Many COPE and Climbing Activities require additional forms. All participants are required to have a current health / medical form. In addition, the following forms are required:

Parental Informed Consent Form (pdf version)

Release / Hold Harmless (pdf version)

COPE Instructor Training Not for Cub Scouts

Weekend sessions will be held Friday through Sunday at the Woodruff Scout Reservation. Utilizing the Project COPE Course, we will run from 7:00 p.m. Friday to 4:00 p.m. Sunday and cover every aspect of the Project COPE operations from National Standards to initiative games to low COPE to high COPE to rescues. A long weekend but one full of fun, learning, and hands-on adventure! Participants must be at least 18 years of age. All meals are provided. Graduates of this training will be able to supervise participants on the Council's Project COPE weekends. Program Cost is low and pre-registration is required. To register go to www.atlantabsa.org and visit the Camping webpage then select the COPE/Climbing/Caving Programs link. You may also register by selecting the calendar and choosing the event date you plan on attending.

March 27 – 29, 2009: Woodruff Scout Reservation September 11 – 13, 2009: Woodruff Scout Reservation

To Search for training classes by MONTH in all surrounding areas of Atlanta, go to the Atlanta Area Council Training Calendar http://www.atlantabsa.org/openrosters/Calendar.asp?orgkey=1459