

Arrow of Light Review Board

SCOUT MOTTO, SLOGAN, SIGN, SALUTE, AND HANDCLASP

MOTTO – Be Prepared

Meaning: Always ready to do your duty and to face danger, if necessary, to help others.

SLOGAN – Do a Good Turn Daily

Meaning: Look for opportunities to help and then help quietly at least every day or more. A good turn is an extra act of kindness – something you go out of your way to do.

SIGN – use 3 fingers

Meaning: The 3 upraised fingers stand for the three parts of the Scout Oath. The thumb and little finger touch and symbolize the bond between all Scouts.

SALUTE – above right eye, touch edge of cap or forehead. Snap hand down quickly to your side when the salute is complete.

Meaning: Signifies respect and courtesy. It is used to salute the flag, during some ceremonies, and leaders.

HANDCLASP – use left hand to shake hands.

Meaning: using the left hand, which is nearest your heart, is a token of friendship.

BOY SCOUT UNIFORM – tan shirt with red loops, olive pants or shorts, hat is either ball cap or campaign hat, each troop has own neckerchief. The only Cub Scout award worn on the Boy Scout shirt is the Arrow of Light. Wearing your uniform with pride shows you are a good citizen and ready and willing to help other people.

SQUARE KNOT – demonstrate

SCOUT OATH/PROMISE

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Meaning:

“On my honor” is a saying “I promise”.

- Try to always do what is right and trusted to keep this promise, which will show you have honor.

“To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the scout law”

- By following what your family and religious leaders teach you about serving God, you do your duty to God.
- By being a good family member and a good citizen, by working for American and obeying the laws, you do your duty to your country.
- Obeying the Scout Law means living by its 12 points.

“To help other people at all times”

By doing a Good Turn daily and helping when you're needed, and doing your part to make a better world. A smile and a helping hand to others makes everyone's life easier.

“To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight”

- To take good care of your body by eating good foods and building your strength.
- Learn all you can about the world around you; be curious and ask questions.
- Live your life honestly, and use clean speech and actions to be a person of strong character.

SCOUT LAW

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

Trustworthy – tell the truth and keep promises.

Loyal – be true to family, friends, Scout leaders, school, nation, and the community.

Helpful – concern for others; willingly helps others without pay or other reward.

Friendly – a friend to all; respects different ideas and customs.

Courteous – be polite to everyone and use good manners.

Kind – treat others as you want to be treated.

Obedient – follow the rules and laws of family, school, troop, community, and country.

Cheerful – has a happy attitude and tries to make others happy.

Thrifty – works to pay his way, saves for the future, protects and conserves natural resources, uses time and property carefully.

Brave – has the courage to stand for what is right; can face danger (not panic) even if he is afraid.

Clean – keeps body and mind fit and clean; helps keep his home and community clean.

Reverent – faithful in his religious duties; respects the beliefs of others.

FIRST CLASS SCOUT BADGE



The three-point design of the top half is like the north point of an old sailor's compass. This shows that a Scout is able to point the right way in life as truly as the compass points it in the field.



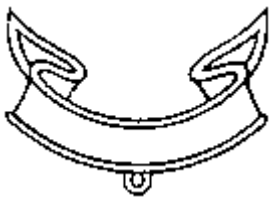
The three points are like the three fingers used in the Scout sign. They stand for the three parts of the Scout Oath: duty to God & country; duty to others; duty to yourself.



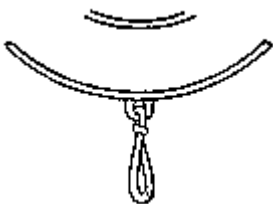
The two stars stand for truth and knowledge of the Scouting movement. They guide you by night and suggest a Scout's outdoor life.



The shield, or national emblem of the US stands for freedom and readiness to defend that freedom.



The scroll is turned up at the ends to suggest the corners of a Scout's mouth raised in a smile as he does his duty. The Scout motto is printed across the scroll.



The knot attached to the bottom of the scroll is to remind you that as a Boy Scout, you promise to do a good turn daily.