



WOOD BADGE

Course Director's Pledge

Recognizing that Wood Badge training is a national program and that in accepting this nomination as course director of Course No. _____ I will be representing the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, I agree to uphold the following:

1. I will present the content and activities in the current Wood Badge curriculum without additions, deletions, or shortcuts.
2. I will structure my staff as outlined in the *Wood Badge Curriculum and Administration Manual*, focusing on diversity and training skills. Staff members will pay their own way.
3. The Wood Badge course includes a camping experience. When we are camping, we will follow the principles of Leave No Trace. Campsite improvements and aquatic activities are not part of Wood Badge.
4. As set out in the Administration section, I will file reports to the appropriate people within the specified time frames.
5. The course I am leading will be conducted in accordance with the values of the Boy Scouts of America. All staff members and participants will be informed that:
 - a. Wood Badge is a positive learning experience. The guiding principles are the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.
 - b. We will create a positive learning environment at Wood Badge and provide a setting where everyone should feel physically and emotionally secure. We will accomplish this in several ways:
 - We will set the example for others and ourselves by always behaving as Scouts should. To the best of our abilities we will live the Scout Oath and Scout Law each moment of each day.
 - We will refuse to tolerate any kind of put-down, name-calling, or physical aggression.
 - We will communicate our acceptance of each participant and each other whenever possible through expressions of concern and by showing our appreciation.
 - We will create an environment based on learning and fun. We will seek the best from each participant and do our best to help each person achieve it.
6. I will maintain the integrity of the course content, including the curriculum, administration, Wood Badge Branding Guidelines, online resources, and all supporting materials. I will ensure that these materials are not copied, electronically published, or otherwise distributed without authorization from the National Council.

Accepted by:

Course Director Nominee _____

Date _____