

2008 Updates

The following revisions have been made to the 2008 editions of the Wood Badge for the 21st Century *Administrative Guide* and *Staff Guide*.

Administrative Guide

- A suggested region/area/council staff structure has been added, including job descriptions for regional, area, and council Wood Badge coordinator positions. *(page 2)*
- A qualification for Wood Badge course director has been clarified: The candidate must have served on the staff of a Wood Badge for the 21st Century course as a troop guide as well as in at least one additional required Wood Badge staff position or in an adult NYLT staff position. *(page 5)*
- It is recommended that oversized staffs be avoided. *(page 13)*
- It is recommended that NYLT staff members be considered for Wood Badge staff positions. *(page 14)*
- Space has been provided on the Request for Authorization to Conduct a Wood Badge Course to list e-mail addresses for course Scoutmaster and host council and area approval officials. *(page A-4)*
- Wood Badge recognition items, including the neckerchief, beads, necklace with overhand knot, and woggle, must be standard as issued by the national office of the Boy Scouts of America or Gilwell Park. A list of those items and their BSA catalog numbers begins on page A-35. *(pages 36 and A-35)*
- The Course Resources list *(pages A-35 and A-36)* and references throughout the guide have been revised to reflect updated Supply numbers. These pages now include a list of standard Wood Badge resources and their catalog numbers.
- An audio file for “It’s In Every One of Us” has been added to the Wood Badge for the 21st Century DVD, and has been listed on the DVD contents page. *(pages A-37 and A-38)*
- The Preparation Schedule clarifies that the media usage request must be faxed to 972-580-2399. *(page B-7)*

Staff Guide/Syllabus

- In Day One: Gilwell Field Assembly, all references to the Cub Scout Pack 1 flag have been removed. *(page 15)*
- An interfaith opening prayer/invocation has been added to Day One: Gilwell Field Assembly. *(page 16)*
- An interfaith closing prayer/benediction has been added to Day One: Troop Meeting. *(page 54)*
- An interfaith opening prayer/invocation has been added to Day One: Instructional Campfire and Baden-Powell Story. *(page 82)*
- Religion and politics have been identified as gray areas to avoid during campfire skits. *(page 89)*
- An interfaith closing prayer/benediction has been added to Day One: Instructional Campfire and Baden-Powell Story. *(page 99)*
- An interfaith opening prayer/invocation has been added to Day Two: Gilwell Field Assembly. *(page 105)*
- Sample appropriate prayers have been updated to be more inclusive and reflect an interfaith population. *(pages 141–142)*
- Questions and answers for the Wood Badge Game Show have been updated to reflect program changes. *(beginning on page 165)*
- Day Three: Interfaith Worship Service has been updated to be more inclusive and reflect an interfaith population, as well as to add resources. *(beginning on page 185)*
- An interfaith closing prayer/benediction has been added to Day Four: Gilwell Field Assembly and Departure for the Outdoor Experience. *(page 237)*
- An interfaith opening prayer/invocation has been added to Day Five: Gilwell Field Assembly. *(page 301)*
- An interfaith closing prayer/benediction has been added to Day Five: Gilwell Field Assembly. *(page 304)*