



# Scouting SAFELY

In Scouting, we will not compromise the safety of our youth, volunteers and employees. Safety is a value that must be taught and reinforced at every opportunity. We are all responsible and must hold each other accountable to provide a safe environment for all participants. It is critical to be familiar with and utilize the BSA's safety resources, including all of the following topics that will help your unit prepare for fun and safe adventures! The BSA resources listed below can be accessed through our website: [ppcbosa.org/scoutingsafely](http://ppcbosa.org/scoutingsafely).

## BSA/PPC RESOURCES

To access all safety resources or for more information about Scouting Safely in the Patriots' Path Council, including hold harmless agreements and insurance coverages, visit our website at:

[ppcbosa.org/scoutingsafely](http://ppcbosa.org/scoutingsafely)



## NATIONAL BSA RESOURCES

[BSA's Commitment to Keeping Kids Safe](#)

[BSA's Scouting Safely Landing Page](#)

[Guide to Safe Scouting](#)

[Youth Protection Resources & Training](#)

[SAFE Checklist](#)

[Safety Moments](#)

[Annual Health and Medical Record](#)

[Incident Reporting](#)

[Policies, Guidelines and Model Plans](#)

[Health and Safety Forms](#)

[Training-Health & Safety](#)

[Personal Safety Awareness Series](#)

[General Health and Safety FAQs](#)

[Prohibited Activities FAQs](#)

[Youth Protection & Barriers to Abuse FAQs](#)

[GOT QUESTIONS?](#)

## The BSA's Commitment to Safety

We are committed to abuse prevention by utilizing:

- Mandatory Youth Protection training.
- Criminal background checks.
- Banning one-on-one adult and youth interactions.
- Mandatory reporting of suspected abuse to law enforcement.
- A volunteer screening database.

We are committed to injury and illness prevention by integrating safety measures in our handbooks, literature and training materials, including the [Guide to Safe Scouting](#).

We expect leaders to use the four points of **SAFE** when delivering the program.

**SAFE** Scouting measures include:

- Youth are **Supervised** by qualified and trustworthy adults who set the example for safety.
- Activities are **Assessed** for risks.
- Prerequisite **Fitness** and **Skill** levels are confirmed before participation.
- Appropriate **Equipment** is utilized, and **Environmental** conditions are monitored.

When incidents do occur, we expect a timely, clear and complete incident report. We are committed to learning from the data and modifying program guidance for the prevention of future occurrences.