

## **SAMPLE PARTICIPANT BEHAVIOR CONTRACT – EXAMPLE 1**

I understand that my attitude and behavior are critical to the success of this event. Therefore, for the good of this event as well as my fellow troop members, I agree to abide by the following:

1. I understand that in preparation for this event it is necessary that I attend scheduled planning meetings and complete assignments for the benefit of myself as well as the troop.
2. I agree to participate in money-earning activities to help cover the cost of this event. If I do not participate I must make up the budgeted amount in another way.
3. I will make the family payments on time unless other arrangements have been made, so as to keep the troop account up to date.
4. I will be sensitive to the needs of each group member by performing my assigned duties and daily responsibilities.
5. I will respect the places and the people with whom I come in contact.
6. I understand that the use of alcohol or abuse of drugs will not be tolerated, and that usage during the event may result in expulsion from the event.
7. I will be responsible for my personal belongings and equipment and will not hold my council, troop or leader responsible for their loss or damage due to my negligence or neglect.
8. I understand that at times the activities will be physically and mentally demanding but that these demands will be to the benefit of me as well as the troop.
9. I understand that it is very important to follow the leaders' instructions and that any rules they deem necessary to establish are for the safety of the troop.
10. I will be an active and considerate member of the troop and will include everyone in the activities.
11. I understand that if I am sent home early due to any serious misconduct, it will be at my family's expense and that my troop leaders will make the travel arrangements and notify my parents/guardians of those plans. In this event troop money is not refundable.

Participant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree with the above responsibilities for my girl.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## SAMPLE PARTICIPANT STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND CODE OF CONDUCT – EXAMPLE 2

**Statement of Understanding:** All youth and adult participants are representing Girl Scouts of the USA and River Valleys based on their qualifications in character personal fitness and leadership qualities. Therefore, all youth participants and their parents or guardians are asked to sign the Statement of Understanding and Code of Conduct as a condition of participation, with the further understanding that serious misconduct or infraction of established rules may result in expulsion, at the participant's expense, from the tour. Ultimately, we want each participant to be responsible for her own behavior, and only when necessary will the procedure be invoked to send a participant home from the tour. If a participant is unable to go or is expelled from the tour, no refunds are possible for expenses already incurred on her behalf.

**All youth and adult participants are expected to abide by the Code of Conduct as follows:**

1. The adult leadership is responsible for the supervision of the group with respect to maintaining discipline, security, and the participant Code of Conduct.
2. The Girl Scout Promise and Law will be my guide throughout the trip.
3. I will set a good example by keeping myself neatly dressed and presentable. The official Girl Scout uniform should be worn at appropriate and specified times.
4. I will attend all scheduled programs/meetings and will participate as required in cooperation with other troop members and leadership.
5. In consideration of other participants, I agree to follow the bedtime and other schedules of the troop.
6. I will be responsible for keeping my area and personal gear labeled, neat, and clean.
7. I understand that the purchase, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs by any youth or adult member is prohibited.
8. Serious violations, including use of tobacco, alcohol, drugs, cheating, stealing, dishonesty, swearing, fighting, gambling, and cursing, may result in expulsion from the trip or serious disciplinary action and loss of privileges.
9. I will demonstrate respect for property and be personally responsible for any loss, breakage, or vandalism of property as a result of my actions.
10. I will be on time whenever it is indicated.
11. I will only use my phone during evening quiet time.
12. I will not publically post photos and information during the trip.
13. Neither the troop leader nor the Girl Scouts will be responsible for loss, breakage, or theft of my personal items including electronic devices. I will label all my personal items and not bring items of value.
14. While participating in aquatics and other activities I will obey the safety rules and instructions of supervisors.
15. I will avoid confrontation with groups, demonstrations, or hecklers, and must assume a passive reaction to name-calling from individuals or groups. The troop must be removed from the area of potential conflict immediately.
16. I will do my best to eat regular nutritious meals from the food that is served with the exception of any foods I am allergic to or are against my personal or religious beliefs as follows:  

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17. I will not make major changes in my appearance, including hair coloring or cutting, body piercing, tattooing, or use of makeup different from my normal and accepted use.
18. Violation of the Code of Conduct will result in:
  - Verbal warning
  - Phone call to family
  - Being sent home
19. Serious violation of the Code of Conduct may result in expulsion from the trip at the participant's own expense without prior warning.

I certify I have read the Statement of Understanding and agree to abide by the conditions in the Code of Conduct.

Participant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Troop Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_