



CERTIFIED ANGLING INSTRUCTOR COURSE

The course was developed and is directed by the
BSA National Fishing Committee

**This is a hybrid course:
Zoom meetings on Tues Oct. 18th and Oct 16th, 2024 &
Wente Scout Reservation, Willits, CA
Oct. 18-20th, 2024**

Help Your Council or Unit Deliver a Quality Fishing Program

This course is designed to give Scouters tools and ideas to get Scouts fishing. We will ignite your desire to introduce Scouts to the wonderful world of fishing. A recent Scout Life magazine survey found that Scouts chose fishing as the fourth most preferred outdoor activity, yet only 35% go fishing within Scouting. You can become a Fishing Advocate for your unit, district and council and utilize fishing as a good tool for Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation. Share your passion for fishing with youth!

NO PRIOR FISHING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

Course Highlights

1. Become recognized as a BSA Certified Angling Instructor an Official Train the Trainer Certification CS-61. Receive a CAI patch and Certificate.
2. Learn basic fishing and fly-fishing skills - fly casting, fly tying, where to find fish, knots and how to teach them, and much more. Learn to teach all Scouting levels for recruiting, retention, and advancement.
3. As a CAI you will have an opportunity to get fishing and fly-fishing equipment at greatly reduced rates for teaching Scouts.
4. This course is structured to provide ample time for fishing instruction and practice or open bass and bluegill fishing.

Fishing is a Favorite Outdoor Activity for Scouts

Fishing with Scouts is an outdoor activity providing Scouts with fun, skills development, family participation and strongly supports sound conservation awareness. Fishing receives very little support through most councils, yet has great opportunity with minimal investment. As a CAI you can make fishing a priority within your Scouting world.

Who should attend?

The CAI course is for Scouters (volunteer & professional) who wish to learn how fishing enhances Council, District and Unit programs, supports current and potential Merit Badge Councilors. Perfect also for Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, and Venturing leaders and summer camp fishing instructors.

When:

Zoom: Oct. 9 & 16, 2024 7pm

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Wente – Oct. 18-20th

Starts Friday 8:00pm

Leave Sunday by 3:00pm

Where:

Wente Scout Reservation
5401 Canyon Rd
Willits CA 95490

Total Course Fees:

Youth (ages 15 - 20): \$65.00

Adult: \$100.00

Includes 2 nights lodging in wall tents or your own, meals, course materials and fishing

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