

Hello Fellow Scouter,

On behalf of the Mayflower staff of this spring's ***Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills*** (IOLS) course, WELCOME! Thank you for committing your time to continue your training as a leader of our youth.

Our initial meeting will be Wednesday, April 19, 7:00 at the Council Service Center, 83 Cedar St. Milford MA 01757 <https://goo.gl/maps/727SoXNzUZEH16n37>

Please be prompt as we have lots to cover. Registration begins at 6:30PM. This meeting will be similar in format to the Troop or Crew meeting on the week before a campout. In preparation for our IOLS campout on the weekend of April 29-30, we will be

- Forming patrols for the IOLS weekend
- Introducing the Staff Guides to your patrols
- Discussing the "Patrol Method" of camping
- Discussing Leave No Trace camping methods
- Discussing the weekend course schedule
- Providing you with important information on what to bring for the weekend
- Planning our menus as a patrol
- Planning our patrol gear needs and assigning responsibilities for gear.
 - What to bring and who will bring it

Please wear your Class A uniform to Wednesday's meeting. Handouts will be provided but we suggest you also bring a pen and pad for taking notes.

A BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A and B only - no physical exam) will be required for all participants on the IOLS weekend. If you have your completed form you may bring it to the meeting on Wednesday or you can bring it to registration on May 14. If you need a form you can download it at http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf. Medical forms will be returned to participants at the end of the course.

Please bring your Scout BSA Handbook (Current is : 14th edition). The goal of this course is to help you gain knowledge and confidence in presenting the basic outdoor skill materials to scouts earning their tenderfoot, 2nd class and 1st class scout ranks. This material is contained in the Scout Handbook.

There is a saying that every scout deserves trained leaders. Your participation in this course is a wonderful way to demonstrate your commitment to the scouting program, to its ideals, and most of all, to the youth we serve. Thank you for your participation.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evening at White Lodge!

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