



IOLS: Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Who should take this training: For Scouts BSA leaders (especially new Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters), Venturing leaders, and Cub Scout leaders with more outdoor experience. The course gives you experience working as part of a Patrol and upon completion, leaders will feel comfortable teaching Scouts the basic skills required to obtain the ranks up to First Class.

Why should I take this training: Scouting’s outdoor program is a critical part of how the Scouts BSA program develops

young leaders. While camping or participating in other outdoor events, your Scouts will challenge themselves to learn skills they’ve never tried before or maybe didn’t think they could do. In doing so, your Scouts will work together as a team to overcome adversity when things don’t go as planned; this is truly the magic of Scouting that no other program does as well. To safely offer Scouting’s outdoor program, you’ll learn how to build fires, use an axe, earn knots and lashings, use a map and compass, responsibly care for the outdoors, and much more. Even if you weren’t a Scout as a kid, you’ll come out of this course looking and acting like a seasoned camper. This course, combined with Youth Protection Training and the Scoutmaster Specific Training course, will make you an “fully trained” Scouts BSA leader.

Location: Kurtz Cabin at Wald Village, Seven Mountains Scout Camp

Accommodations: You will be sleeping outside in tents / hammocks. If you have a special need or mobility issue, please bring it to our attention when you register or contact Larry Schul.

What to Bring:

1	Tent	2	Sleeping clothes
3	Sleeping bag	4	Sleeping pad
5	Camp Chair	6	Pocket knife
7	Personal cleaning gear (toothbrush, comb/brush, wash cloth, etc.)	8	BSA Health Forms Parts A & B (turned in at check in and returned at check out)
9	Uniform shirt (if you have one)	10	Notebook, pen, pencil
11	Outer clothes suitable for the weather	12	Flashlight
13	Compass		

Food: Participants will be provided Lunch, Dinner, and Cracker Barrel on Saturday, and Breakfast on Sunday. Please eat prior to arriving at camp Saturday morning. If you have any food allergies, please bring your own food.

Arrival Details: Check-in will be Saturday morning at 8:00 AM on 10/10/2026 so training can begin at 8:30AM

Departure Details: Check-out will be approximately at 11:00 AM, Sunday, 10/11/2026

Cost: \$25.00 per person if paid by 10/2/2026. If paid after, it will be \$30.00. This includes all meals and materials.

Payments: can be made via credit card through the online registration or Cash/Check payments can be mailed into the JVC Office