

Northern Star Scouting 2023 National Scout Jamboree

Participant Expectations and Requirements



Participating in one of Scouting's most celebrated events, a National Jamboree, is both a privilege and an honor. It is an opportunity that all past participants remember fondly as a lifetime event. All Scouts registered to attend the Jamboree as part of the Northern Star Scouting's contingent agree to follow the Scout Oath and Scout Law and will obey all U.S., local, and state laws as well as the following requirements

- I will set a good example by keeping myself neatly dressed and presentable and will wear my jamboree credentials at all times.
- I will attend all scheduled programs and participate as required in cooperation with other unit members and leaders.
- In consideration of other unit participants, I agree to follow the bedtime and sleep schedule of the unit.
- I will be responsible for keeping my tent and personal gear clean and neat.
- I will adhere to all jamboree recycling policies and regulations. I will not litter.
- I understand that the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is prohibited at the jamboree including travel to and from the jamboree. **Violation will be grounds for expulsion.**
- I understand that serious and/or repetitive behavior violations, including cheating, stealing, dishonesty, fighting, and cursing, may result in expulsion from the jamboree or serious disciplinary action and loss of privileges. The jamboree headquarters must be contacted for the expulsion procedure to be invoked. There are no exceptions.
- I understand that gambling of any form is prohibited.
- I understand that possession of lasers of any type and possession or detonation of fireworks is prohibited.
- I will demonstrate respect for unit and jamboree property and be personally responsible for any loss, breakage, or vandalism of property as a result of my actions.
- Neither the unit leaders nor the Boy Scouts of America will be responsible for loss, breakage, or theft of personal items. I will label all my personal items and check items of value at the direction of unit leaders. Theft will be grounds for expulsion.
- I will obey the safety rules and instructions of all supervisors and staff members.
- I understand that, in accordance with U.S., local, and state laws, firearms and weapons are prohibited in the possession of all jamboree participants unless otherwise specifically authorized by the Boy Scouts of America. All devices categorized as dangerous weapons in West Virginia are prohibited at the Summit. Knives in excess of 3.5 inches are among these items and, as such, are prohibited at the Summit.
- I understand that all participants and staff members may only bring items specified on the equipment list provided by the Jamboree Department, National Council.
- I understand I must have a current photo ID in my possession at all times. Violation of this Code of Conduct, or any other conduct deemed to be inconsistent with the values of Scouting, may result in expulsion from the jamboree at the participant's own expense and could result in revocation of BSA membership.
- Boy Scouts must be 12 to 17 years of age and have earned at least First Class rank prior to departure. Venturers must be 14 to 20 years of age and have demonstrated ability to participate in high adventure type activities.
- Participating in a Jamboree Troop or Crew means that you will not only maintain registration with your current home unit, but also be placed in a Troop or Crew formed of scouts from other units.
- All members of the council's contingent will follow the Jamboree uniform policy during the entire Jamboree experience, including during travel to and from the Jamboree and while touring. This specifically includes all Troop / Crew meetings and activities, air & bus travel between activities, and any times outside of the unit's designated campsite or hotel room.
- Participants are expected to follow the contingent's uniform guidance.
- Participants will bring only authorized items and will use only the Jamboree Duffle and Jamboree Backpack provided by Northern Star Scouting. Additional luggage will not be allowed (other than pre-approved medical equipment).
- Participants are expected to attend all Jamboree Troop/Crew meetings and activities including the Contingent Jamboree Shakedown May 5-7, 2023 at Stearns Scout Camp.
- A National Jamboree is a rewarding and lifetime experience that takes place in the outdoors. It includes walking/hiking many miles a day with activities in the humid summer climate of West Virginia. Youth must be in good physical health and pass a BSA physical with doctor's recommendation. You must be within the Body Mass Index requirements of BSA.
- Attending a National Jamboree includes a family commitment to meet the fee payment schedule. Due to applicant demand, participants not current with the payment schedule may lose their position in the troop/crew to others on the waiting list.
- If available troop/crew spaces are full, applicants will be placed on a first come, first serve waitlist for the selected troop/crew.

- The refund policy on the contingent payment site will be the standard for any refunds provided if unable to attend the event.
- Living by the Scout Oath and Law is an important standard that participants are expected to follow in all activities leading up to and during the National Jamboree and Tour. The Jamboree also has a specific code of **conduct** that all participants agree to follow.
- Violation of these standards place participants at risk of being sent home at their own expense.

I AGREE TO THESE TERMS OF THE NORTHERN STAR SCOUTING'S
2023 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE CONTINGENT

Date: _____

PARTICIPANT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____