

Boy Scout Leader Training

Fall 2017

Every Scout deserves a trained leader!

Through training, you'll gain skills, ideas, and resources to help you bring the Boy Scouting program to life.

What's Required

All registered adult leaders must take Youth Protection Training online and renew it every year.

To wear the "Trained" patch and be considered trained, you must also take basic training for your position. Most of it is online at <http://my.scouting.org>.

A Scoutmaster (SM) or Assistant Scoutmaster (ASM) can choose to take **Scoutmaster Basic** training in person instead of online. The in-person version is more interactive and offers the chance to meet and discuss with fellow leaders. An SM or ASM must also take **Outdoor Leader Skills** to complete basic training.

In-Person Course Descriptions

Scoutmaster Basic: Learn the fundamentals of running a successful troop, including program planning, the patrol method, advancement, and more. It's a 4 to 5-hour course, offered in one session or split over two days.

Outdoor Leader Skills (OLS): An overnight hands-on training that focuses on camping skills (cooking, knots and lashings, fires, orienteering, woods tools, etc.). Learn new skills, reinforce old ones, and build confidence so you can teach these skills to Scouts.

Online Registration and Course Websites

Please pre-register! We need an advance head count so the volunteer training team has enough time to prepare handouts and purchase supplies, food, etc.

Visit www.oldcolonycouncil.org/training to browse the list of courses and register. You can choose to pay by credit card or send a check. Almost every course has a webpage with handouts, directions, things to bring, etc.

Our friends in the Knox Trail portion of our council also run several of these courses. See www.ktc-bsa.org.

Scoutmaster Basic Training

Saturday, September 23, 2017

- 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM
- Camp Squanto, Plymouth
- Cost: **free** (**\$10** for leaders outside of Council 251)*
- No walk-ins; register online by Thursday 9/21
- For more information, contact Chris Lamie: chris.lamie@gmail.com / 781-974-5345

Scoutmaster Basic Training

Saturday, October 14, 2017

- 8 AM to 12:30 PM
- Foxboro Cable Access, 28 Central St., Foxboro
- Cost: **free** (**\$10** for leaders outside of Council 251)*
- No walk-ins; register online by Thursday 10/12
- For more information, contact Ruth Mackie: rthmck.rm@gmail.com / 508-203-6220

Outdoor Leader Skills

Saturday, October 28 – Sunday, October 29, 2017

- Sign in between 8 and 8:15 AM on Saturday
- Leave by noon on Sunday
- Wrentham Developmental Center, Wrentham
- Cost: **\$20** (**\$30** for leaders outside of Council 251)*
- No walk-ins; register online by Friday 10/20
- For more information, contact Ruth Mackie: rthmck.rm@gmail.com / 508-203-6220

Scoutmaster Basic Training

Saturday, January 6, 2018

- 8 AM to 12:30 PM
- Sacred Heart, 75 Commercial St., Weymouth
- Cost: **free** (**\$10** for leaders outside of Council 251)*
- No walk-ins; register online by Thursday 1/4
- For more information, contact Chris Lamie: chris.lamie@gmail.com / 781-974-5345

**Leaders in Council 251 pay a reduced fee—just enough to cover food. The annual activity fee on every Scout registration helps to cover the rest of the cost of training for our council's adult leaders.*