

Troop 72 Code of Conduct and Discipline Policy

Scout Oath:

On my honor, I will do my best, to do my duty, to God and my country, and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Scout Law:

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

Scouts in Troop 72 are expected to live by the standards expressed in the Scout Oath and Scout Law at all times.

When a scout behaves in a way that is counter to the Oath or Law, he needs to understand his transgression immediately and be accountable for his actions. Minor transgressions like name calling, arguing, or lights on after taps should be handled promptly by either the Patrol Leader or one of the adult leaders. Consequences for these transgressions should include a clear verbal warning that this behavior must stop. More substantial and serious transgressions like harassment, playing with fire, fighting, use or possession of drugs or alcohol, or damaging someone else's property must be reported immediately to the Scout Master.

Consequences for substantial and serious transgressions will be determined by the Scout Master and members of the Troop Committee. Once the consequences are determined, the Scout Master (or his delegate) will meet with the Scout and his parents to review the transgression and discuss the consequences. Once the Scout carries out the consequences, he will meet with his parents and the Scout Master (or his delegate) to discuss his progress and what he has learned. Examples of consequences for substantial and serious transgressions listed in order of severity can include one or any number of the following:

- Written warning to the Scout and his parents summarizing the transgression.
- Remedial assignment (written essay or service project).
- Temporary suspension from Troop 72 activities.
- Indefinite suspension from Troop 72 activities.
- Dismissal from Troop 72.
- Notification of Authorities.

The Scout Master and Troop Committee Members will determine consequences that are proportional to the magnitude of the transgression and at the same time reinforce the importance of the Scout Oath and Law.