

# EXCERPTS FROM THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

The name of the Corporation is Boy Scouts of America. For convenience, in the Rules and Regulations the word “Corporation” is sometimes used instead of the official name.

## II. Policies

### Participation in Public Functions

Scouters must, when practicable, cooperate in connection with civic or other public gatherings of a nonpartisan and nonpolitical character in a way that gives youth members an opportunity to render service in harmony with their training instead of merely taking part in parades in their uniforms. Any such participation must be consistent with the principles of Scouting America.

## VII. Programs

### Insignia, Uniforms, and Badges

#### General

The intellectual property of Scouting America must be made available and used only in accordance with the policies and guidelines of Scouting America.

#### Official Uniforms

The official uniforms authorized as evidence of official relationship to Scouting America are those approved by Scouting America from time to time, as illustrated and correctly described in the handbooks, catalogs, and other official guidelines of Scouting America. The official uniforms and parts thereof may be issued only as authorized by Scouting America and sold either directly by the National Service Center through responsible local merchants designated as local Scouting distributors or through designated local councils. Local Scouting distributors may be appointed and licensed and the licenses revoked only by the National Service Center, but chartered local councils may make recommendations for such

actions. Imitation of United States Army, Navy, or Marine Corps uniforms is prohibited, in accordance with the provisions of the organization’s Congressional Charter.

#### Use of Uniform

The official uniforms are intended primarily for use in connection with official Scouting activities, and their use may be approved by the local council executive board for council events or activities under conditions consistent with the Rules and Regulations of Scouting America. No alteration of, or additions to, the official uniforms, as described in the official guidelines or the Rules and Regulations covering the wearing of the uniform and the proper combinations thereof on official occasions, may be authorized by any Scouting official or local council. It is the responsibility of all leaders of Scouting America and especially of all commissioned officers and chartered councils to cooperate with Scouting America in preventing the use of the official uniforms by those who are not registered and in good standing.

#### Special Local Badges and Insignia

Local councils are authorized to adopt special badges and insignia as awards for particular purposes in harmony with national policies and to permit their use upon the official uniform in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, policies, and guidelines of Scouting America.

**Authorization**

The National Council has the sole and exclusive right to authorize the use of insignia, words, phrases, designation marks, pictorial representation, and descriptive remarks relating to the program of Scouting America on commercial products, promotional efforts, and/or sale and distribution to members of Scouting America and/or the general public, whether through the National Supply Group or through an official licensee of Scouting America. The use of same by local councils shall be only as authorized and approved by the National Council.