

SAFE HAVEN

Scouting is a Special Place. The rules are ones we know well - the Scout Oath and the Scout Law.

We create a safe haven in Scouting, a place where everyone should feel physically and emotionally secure. We do this in several ways:

- We set the example for ourselves and others by always behaving as Scouts should. We live the Scout Oath and Law each moment of each day, to the best of our abilities.
- We refuse to tolerate any kind of inappropriate put-down, name-calling, or physical aggression.
- We communicate our acceptance of each participant and each other through expressions of concern and by showing our appreciation whenever possible.
- We create an environment based on learning and fun. We seek the best from each participant, and we do our best to help each person achieve it.

As an adult, you help to create a safe haven by your personal example. Your attitudes, your behavior, and your expectations set the tone.

Safe Haven also applies to the volunteer adults who are supervising your boys. They should not be subjected to physical or emotional abuse from scouts or their parents. Differences should be negotiated in as calm an atmosphere as can be established to benefit all parties involved.