

Boy Scouts of America Troop 993 Website Policies

Privacy Policy

The Boy Scouts of America Troop 993 is committed to respecting and protecting the personal privacy of its members and those who visit its Web site. It is our policy to acquire personal information from users only by overt and voluntary means, only when it is in the interest of the user to provide it, and to utilize this information only for the purpose it was provided. To further the goals of protecting the youth we serve, Troop 993 policy is representing Boy Scouts in a positive manner, and complying with applicable laws and BSA guidelines.

Purpose

The purpose of the Troop993 Website is to promote and strengthen communication between Parents, Committee Leaders, Adult Scout Leaders, Scouts, Patrols, and prospective scouters. As such, the website needs to provide timely and accurate information on activities and events. The content and design of the website should reflect the purposes and values of scouting and the unique character of our Troop.

Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) of 1998

This legislation applies only to Web sites of a commercial nature. However, Boy Scouts of America considers it to provide sound advice for any Web site that is intended for use by children.

Therefore, Troop 993 does not use its Web site to collect any personally identifiable information from children under 13 years of age. Any input form that requests personally identifiable information that appears on an interface that is expected to be viewed by children under 13 years of age is accompanied by a notice that submissions cannot be accepted from users under 13 years of age. Where "age" or "date of birth" is requested, no information will be stored or transmitted unless the response indicates that the user is 13 years of age or older.

Providing personal information is never a prerequisite for accessing any of the content or resources on this Web site. Specifically, refusal to provide personal information via a Web interface will never result in a user being denied access to any on-line content or resource he would be able to access were the information submitted.

General Guidelines

Children's names with a photo of the child should not appear in this site. If you find a child's full name with a photo of the child is accidentally placed on a page in this site, please report the Troop Webmaster or Committee Chair

This Website may contain links to third party Website's that are not controlled by the BSA Troop 993. These third party links are made available to you as a convenience and you agree to use these links at your own risk. However, we will never knowingly place a link on this website that redirects you to anything inappropriate for young children. If you should link to a third party Website to BSA Troop 993, we strongly encourage you to review and become familiar with that Website's privacy policy.

Contact information is posted solely to increase communication and disseminate information about joining or supporting Scouting. Contact Information (such as phone, e-mail addresses, home address) of adult members will be used on the website in the public domain only with the permission of that individual.

Youth names, email address, or other personally identifiable information should never be posted on this website in the general public domain.

Members only utilities have been setup via login and protected by Username and Password. Contact information for adults and scouts will be treated with caution. This is voluntary and available for the sole purpose to increase communication between committee members; adults scout leaders, parents, patrols, and scouts. The information is not available for public domain viewing or unauthorized harvesting of contact information.

Any parent or legal guardian prohibiting such a posting or requesting a posting be removed will be satisfied by its removal within 48 hours if physically possible. Contact the Troop Webmaster or the Committee Chair with your request.

Troop leadership has control over the content of the Troop's web site (i.e. the Troop Committee, uniformed leadership and chartered partner representative). If youth members are involved, they must be under the direct supervision of adults who have control of all content.

Preferably, the website should not contain any advertisements or commercial endorsements, except for organizations providing the site service if it is provided for free or at discount. If the site does contain advertising, care should be taken to make certain that none of the advertising is inconsistent with the purposes of Scouting.

The website must strive to abide by all laws regarding copyrights, trademarks and other intellectual property.

The website must include the name of the unit's chartered partner, contact information for the Troop Committee and an e-mail contact address for reaching the person managing the site, so visitors can report any problems or concerns.

Troop 993 does not share personally identifiable information about its web site visitors with anyone.

Policy Modifications and Deviations

This policy was last modified on 26 January 2011. We may modify this privacy policy and will post those changes here.