



NATIONAL CAMP ACCREDITATION PROGRAM



National Camp Standards



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Program Design Standard 107

PD-107

OUTDOOR ETHICS

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STANDARD:

The camp practices, teaches, and demonstrates BSA outdoor ethics.

INTERPRETATION:

The camp program incorporates elements of the BSA outdoor ethics program (e.g., the Outdoor Code, principles of Leave No Trace) into camp activities or programs. BSA outdoor ethics, including the Outdoor Code, principles of Leave No Trace, or Tread Lightly!, could be included in a first-year camper program or camp craft skills or a separate program, such as offering BSA Leave No Trace 101. Alternatively, including an outdoor ethics theme in a camp activity would also meet the standard.

VERIFICATION:

- Director/staff description of procedures in practice
- Evidence of Outdoor Code and principles of Leave No Trace in practice (e.g., absence of litter, minimization of erosion, reducing visible impact where reasonable, and similar steps)

Applies to:

Day
camp

Specialty-
adventure
camp

Family
camp

High-
adventure
camp

Resident
camp

COPE/
Climbing

Trek
camp



Recommended Practice 253

RP-253	OUTDOOR ETHICS TRAINING (Revised January 1, 2013)
RECOMMENDED PRACTICE: At least one staff member is trained as a Leave No Trace Trainer or Leave No Trace Master Educator. A Leave No Trace Trainer course, Leave No Trace awareness course, or other outdoor ethics awareness workshop is offered to leaders and campers.	Applies to: Resident camp Trek camp Specialty-adventure camp High-adventure camp
VERIFICATION: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of certificate (may be included in declaration)• Review of schedule and discussion with staff	



Standards and Practices where Outdoor Ethics can be applied:

RP-155

MERIT BADGE AND PROGRAM COUNSELOR TRAINING

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PS-212

SCOUTCRAFT, WOODCRAFT, AND OUTDOOR SKILLS PROGRAM

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PS-211

NATURE AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

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PS-205

ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE PROGRAMS

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PS-209

HORSE AND STOCK PROGRAMS

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PS-210

MOUNTAIN BIKING AND MOUNTAIN BOARDING PROGRAMS

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And more....

RP-251

CONSERVATION PROJECTS

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RP-252

NATURE TRAIL OR EXHIBIT

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SQ-402

GENERAL CAMP STAFF TRAINING

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FA-704

CONSERVATION PLAN

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RP-752

INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL

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RP-853

CAMP LONG-RANGE PLAN

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Your Turn.....

- Break into groups
 - Review selected portions of the National Camp Standards
 - Brainstorm ideas for how we can inject Outdoor Ethics into specific Standards or Recommended Practices.
 - Report back to the rest of the group.....
- Bring these ideas back to your Councils and Districts.